

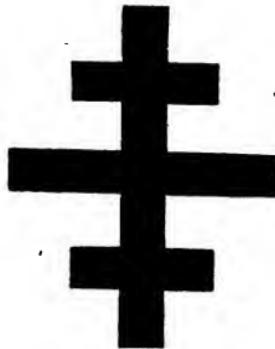
GRAND ENCAMPMENT

OF

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

FOR THE

Knights Templar -
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.



SIXTEENTH TRIENNIAL SESSION.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 1865.

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TEMPLAR DATE.

A. O., Anno Ordinis. To find the Knight Templar date of this or any other year, subtract 1118, thus, 1865—1118=A. O. 747. The Order of Knight Templars was organized A. D. 1118.

TITLES.

The Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the U. S. is "Most Eminent Grand Master of Knights Templar;" that of the Deputy Grand Master of the Gr. Enc. U. S. "Right Eminent;" that of the remaining officers of the Grand Encampment "Very Eminent." Officers of State Grand Commanderies are thus designated:—Grand Commander, "Right Eminent," Deputy Gr. Commander, "Very Eminent," the remaining Grand officers, "Eminent." The Commander of a Subordinate Commandery is "Eminent." An amendment comes up in 1868 for consideration, to denominate this body the Grand Conclave of K. T. of the U. S., and to designate State Grand bodies as Encampments.

FEES.

Dispensation for a new Commandery, \$90, and when a charter is granted, an additional fee of \$10, to be paid Grand Recorder of Gr. Enc. U. S., and \$5 for endorsement under seal, of continuance of a dispensation.

DUES.

For every Knight Templar created in any Commandery, holden by dispensation or charter whilst under the immediate jurisdiction of the Gr. Enc. U. S., there shall be paid \$2 into the treasury of the Gr. Enc. of the U. S. Reports of officers and members, and working roll of these Commanderies up to the first day of August of each year, accompanied with the above named dues, must be made to Grand Recorder of Grand Encampment of U. S. Address John D. Caldwell, Grand Recorder, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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PROCEEDINGS
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COLUMBUS, OHIO—10 O'CLOCK A. M.,
TUESDAY, Sept. 5th, A. D. 1865, A. O. 747.

The Sixteenth Triennial Grand Convocation of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America, was opened and held in the Hall of the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of Ohio, at the hour specified above.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Sir BENJAMIN B. FRENCH	M. Em. Gr. M.
Sir DAVID SHORT GOODLOE	R. Em. Dep. G. M.
Sir ZENAS C. PRIEST	V. Em. Gr. Geno.
Sir AZARIAH T. C. PIERSON	V. Em. Gr. C. G.
Sir ROBERT MCMURDY	<i>as</i> V. Em. Gr. Prelate.
Sir WM. E. SANFORD	V. Em. Gr. S. W.
Sir JOHN W. SIMONS	V. Em. Gr. Treas.
Sir JOHN D. CALDWELL	V. Em. Gr. Rec.
Sir JOHN Q. A. FELLOWS	V. Em. G. St. B.
Sir EZRA L. STEVENS	<i>acting</i> V. Em. G. Sw. B.
Sir JEREMIAH L. HUTCHINSON	V. Em. G. Warder.
Sir JOSEPH B. COVERT	<i>acting</i> V. Em. G. Gapt. Guards.

PAST GRAND OFFICER.

Sir WM. B. HUBBARD	Past Gr. M.
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Sirs JOHN D. CALDWELL, of Ohio, JOSEPH P. HORNER, of Louisiana, and WM. W. BAKER, of

Massachusetts, were appointed Standing Committee on Credentials.

Sir Knight CALDWELL thereupon reported as enrolled, representatives of seventeen State Grand Commanderies, and two immediate Subordinates.

The consolidated report of the committee is here inserted :

The undersigned, Committee on Credentials, beg leave to report the following Sir Knights as entitled to seats and votes in the present conclave of this Grand Encampment :

In the cases of Sir W. S. Gardner, Gr. Master and P. G. M. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island; Sir John W. Simons, Gr. Treas. of this Gr. Encampment, and P. Gr. Com. of New York; Sir Jno. Q. A. Fellows, Grand Standard Bearer of this Gr. Encampment, and Grand Commander of Louisiana; and Sir Z. C. Priest, Gr. Geno., and P. G. C. of New York, we report, that each of the Sir Knights mentioned are entitled to one vote only in this Grand Encampment, according to the Constitution of the same (Article First, Section First), and the decision of Grand Master French, as set forth on page 26 of the proceedings of this Grand Encampment in its conclave of 1862; leaving to the Sir Knights the choice of the capacity in which they will vote.

Courteously submitted,

JOHN D. CALDWELL,
JOSEPH P. HORNER,
WILLIAM W. BAKER.

FROM STATE GRAND COMMANDERIES.

CALIFORNIA.

Sir Charles Marsh, proxy for—	
Sir Wm. Caldwell Belcher.....	G. C.
Sir Charles Marah, proxy for—	
Sir Wm. R. Rundell	Dep. G. C.
Sir Charles Marsh, proxy for—	
Sir Thomas Callow	G. Geno.
Sir Charles Marsh, proxy for—	
Sir Theo. F. Tracey	G. C. Genl.
Sir Charles Marsh	Past. Gr. C.

CONNECTICUT.

Sir Wm. R. Higby, proxy for—	
Sir Fred. J. Calhoun	G. C.
Sir James L. Gould, proxy for—	
Sir John W. Paul	Dep. G. C.
Sir Asa Smith, proxy for—	
Sir S. D. Sperry	Gr. Geno.
Sir Thos. Sparrow, of Ohio, proxy for—	
Sir Amos S. Treat	G. C. G.
Sir Wm. R. Higby	Past. G. C.
Sir Benjamin Beecher	P. G. C.

ILLINOIS.

Sir Harman G. Reynolds, proxy for—	
Sir Nathan F. Prentiss	G. C.
Sir Henry C. Ranney, proxy for—	
Sir Perry A. Armstrong	Dep. G. C.
Sir Henry C. Ranney, proxy for—	
Sir Vincent L. Hurlbut	Gr. Geno.
Sir Orrin H. Miner, proxy for—	
Sir George C. Lanphere	G. C. G.

INDIANA.

Sir Wm. Hacker	G. C.
Sir Harvey G. Hazelrigg	Dep. G. C.
Sir Thomas Newby	Gr. Geno.
Sir D. P. Whedon	G. C. G.

IOWA.

Sir Theo. S. Parvin	G. C.
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KENTUCKY.

Sir David S. Goodloe, proxy for—	
Sir Hezekiah Culbertson	G. C.
Sir Charles R. Woodruff	Dep. G. C.
(Subsequently gave his proxy to Sir James L. Anderson.)	
Sir James L. Anderson	G. C. G.
Sir Wm. C. Munger	Past G. C.
Sir and Rev. Peter H. Jeffries	Past G. C.

LOUISIANA.

Sir Joseph P. Horner, proxy for—	
Sir J. Q. A. Fellows	G. C.
Sir Joseph P. Horner, proxy for—	
Sir F. Ricau	Gr. Geno.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

MAINE.

Sir Moses Dodge, proxy for—	
Sir Timothy J. Murray	G. C.
Sir Moses Dodge	Dep. G. C.

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.

Sir Wm. S. Gardner.....	G. C.
Sir Charles H. Titus	Dep. G. C.
Sir Wm. W. Baker.....	G. Geno.
Sir Thos. A. Doyle	G. C. G.

MICHIGAN.

Sir Garra B. Noble	G. C.
Sir A. D. Cudworth, proxy for—	
Sir E. D. Benedict	G. Geno.
Sir Benjamin Porter	Past G. C.
Sir John Clarke	Past G. C.

MISSOURI.

Sir Anthony O'Sullivan, proxy for—	
Sir Thos. M. Warnell.....	G. C.
Sir Geo. Frank Gouley	D. G. C.
Sir Francis Aglar	G. C. G.
Sir Geo. W. Belt	Past. G. C.

NEW JERSEY.

Sir Samuel Stevens	G. C.
Also, proxy for—	
Sir Geo. P. Scheltus.....	D. G. C.
Also, for—	
Sir Charles Bechlus.....	G. Geno.
Also, for—	
Sir Elwood Conner	G. C. G.

NEW YORK.

Sir Orrin Welch	G. C.
Sir Robert D. Holmes, proxy for—	
Sir Pierson Mundy.....	D. G. C.
Sir Seymour H. Stone, proxy for—	
Sir John T. Lefferts.....	G. Geno.
Sir Henry Clay Preston	G. C. G.

The following named Past Gr. Commanders were present,
but voted as Grand Officers under the rule:

Sir John W. Simons	P. G. C.
Sir Zenas C. Priest.....	P. G. C.

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Sir Heman Ely	Gr. C.
Sir Charles Brown	Dep. G. C.
Sir Charles C. Kiefer	G. Geno.
Sir Edgar B. Hyde	G. C. G.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

Sir William B. Thrall,	Sir Christopher F. Hanselmann,
Sir John H. Achey,	Sir Kent Jarvis.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Sir Wm. H. Strickland	G. C.
Sir Robert Arthur O. Kerr, proxy for—	
Sir Robert Pitcairn	D. G. C.
Sir Alfred Creigh, proxy for—	
Sir Charles A. Bannwart	G. Geno.
Sir Robert Arthur Oglesby Kerr, proxy for—	
Sir John Vallerchamp	G. C. G.
Sir Edmund H. Turner	Past G. C.

TENNESSEE.

Sir John Ainslie, P. G. C., proxy for—	
Sir J. J. Worsham	G. C.
Sir Charles A. Fuller	Past G. C.

WISCONSIN.

Sir Henry L. Palmer	G. C.
Sir Alvin B. Alden	Dep. G. C.
Sir Melvin L. Young, proxy for—	
Sir Wm. H. Hiner	G. Geno.
Sir Wm. L. Kennett, proxy for—	
Sir Michael F. McKay	G. C. G.

SUBORDINATE COMMANDERIES.

(Charters direct from this Gr. Enc.)

ARKANSAS.

Hugh De Payens Commandery No. 1, Little Rock.

Sir Benj. B. French, proxy for—	
Sir Elbert H. English	Em. Com.
Also for—	
Sir L. George	G.
And also for—	
Sir Harris Flanagin	Capt. G.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Washington Commandery No. 1, Washington City.

Sir Charles H. Huestis, proxy for—	
Sir S. P. Bell.....	Em. Com.
Sir Ezra L. Stevens, proxy for—	
Sir Edward Baldwin	C. G.

MARYLAND.

Maryland Commandery No. 1, Baltimore.

Sir J. N. McJilton, proxy for—	
Sir R. A. Holmes	Em. Com.
Sir E. T. Schultz	Gen.
Sir Andrew E. Warner, jun.....	C. G.

Baltimore Commandery No. 2, Baltimore.

Sir Michael Miller	Em. Com.
Sir H. D. Musselman	C. G.

MINNESOTA.

Damascus No. 1, St. Paul.

Sir George W. Prescott.....	Em. C.
Sir Bent H. Langley	Gen.

The report was approved.

APPOINTED GRAND OFFICERS.

Sir ROBERT MCMURDY, D.D., L.L. D.,	V. Em. Gr. Prelate.
Sir EZRA L. STEVENS (to fill vacancy),.....	V. M. Gr. Sw. B.
Sir JOSEPH BENHAM COVERT,	V. Em. Gr. Capt. Guards.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICES.

After the opening of the Grand Encampment, the officers, representatives and visiting Sir Knights, escorted by Columbia Commandery U. D., Washington City, with the banners of the Order, formed in procession, and repaired to the Congregational Church, where all united in a *Devotional Service*, which, at the last triennial meeting, had been ordered to be prepared, and which was conducted by

Sir Robert McMurdy, D.D., L.L.D., Very Eminent Grand Prelate.

(For proposed Templar Devotional Services, see Appendix.)

The M. Em. Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States, Sir **BENJAMIN B. FRENCH**, then delivered the following address.

ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER FRENCH.

SIR KNIGHTS AND FELLOW CITIZENS:

The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America has assembled in triennial meeting, to attend to such duties as may devolve upon it, for the good of Templar Masonry in the United States. Meet and proper is it that before entering upon those duties we should come into this holy temple, and pay our adorations to our God, and implore his blessing upon whatever we may do, and in that humility that becomes the creature, prostrate ourselves before our Creator, and pray that he will lead us in the right path, and endue us with the right spirit, so that what we may do may be to his glory and the good of all.

The solemn services in which many of you have been engaged, and which all have witnessed, are those that were in ages long passed, inaugurated by pious Christian Knights, who took the field to do battle in behalf of the Christian Religion, and to rescue, if possible, the holy sepulchre from the possession of the Infidel. Under banners similar to those which we set up before you this day, they became warriors and heroes, and they engaged in no earnest work until, as we have here to-day, they humbly confessed their sins, and asked the blessing of God upon their labors.

We come here, my brethren and friends, under circumstances most peculiar. War in its most dreadful form has ravaged a large portion of our fair land; brother has drawn his sword against brother, and many of our fruitful fields have been soaked in human gore. The battle has been fought, the victory has been won, and the Union stands stronger than ever in the affections of nearly a whole people. Emerging

from this awful conflict, we, the first National organization, as I believe, that has met since the strife has passed, have assembled here, from the North and from the South, from the East and from the West, to do our endeavor to sow the seeds of concord, to re-establish the ties of brotherly affection, and to exhibit it to the world as evidence that discord can not long endure among a great people determined to live under a free and popular government.

Assembling under these circumstances, instead of pursuing our wonted course, and gathering quietly within the walls of our Asylum, we have thought proper that the nation should see a band of patriots and christians, from all parts of the Union, publicly acknowledging, as did the Templars of old, that the will of God is far stronger than the will of man, and expressing their earnest desire that henceforth there should exist in all our borders that peace and good will which our blessed Redeemer so earnestly taught to his disciples.

And we are here. We shall take sweet counsel together, and our business duly accomplished, we shall go to our homes, carrying with us that grateful appreciation of the kindness that has given us so warm a welcome, and the assurances to our distant friends that the influences of a patriotic people can be carried far and wide, and be so sown as to bear fruit an hundred fold.

You can hardly conceive of the pleasure and the satisfaction that it gives me, who have been so long and so highly honored by my brethren, to look upon faces so familiar and yet which have been so long estranged; to clasp hands between which the troubles of the times have so long prevented a friendly and a brotherly grasp; and to interchange words of cordial greeting with those noble hearts which, amid the whirlwind of treachery, beat firmly and truly in patriotic cadence to the music of the Union!

My fellow-soldiers of the cross, I give to you a cordial welcome and I implore upon you a heavenly blessing. To all who are here assembled, I tender, in behalf of the Grand Encampment of the United States, our thanks for the countenance here given us, and for the general and cordial welcome we have here received.

Our sojourn among you will be brief, but we hope and

trust it will be marked by such action, that its results will bear witness to our zeal in the noble cause of virtue and humanity, which we seek to advance, and that nothing will be done incompatible with that sacred foundation which we claim for our venerable Order as its chief corner stone—"The Christian Religion and a practice of all the Christian virtues."

Services closed with Benediction.

The procession reformed and marched to the Capitol.

The Gr. Encampment renewed its labors in the Grand Asylum.

VISITORS.

It was ordered that all Sir Knights, members in good standing, of Commanderies recognizing this Grand Encampment, properly vouched for, be admitted, on application, as visitors to this Grand Convocation.

A Register of those who attended is inserted in Appendix.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of last Grand Convocation was omitted, the Grand Encampment being supplied with copies of its printed proceedings.

The Gr. Encampment took a recess until 8 o'-clock P. M.

EIGHT O'CLOCK P. M.

The Grand Encampment resumed labor—M. Em. Gr. Master presiding. Minutes were read and approved.

OFFICIAL REPORT OF GR. MASTER.

The M. Em. Grand Master then read report, as follows:

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Sir Knights of the Grand Encampment of the United States:

At our Triennial meeting, three years ago, in the city of New York, I closed my official address in the words following :

“ Let us bear constantly in mind that there are many Commanderies, both Grand and Subordinate, which cannot, in consequence of our unhappy national difficulties, be represented here ; and let our action be such that, after we shall have closed our labors, we may look back upon them with the reflection that we have done no one thing that can in the most remote manner operate to the prejudice of our Southern Fraters, or in any manner tend to prevent a most harmonious and glorious reunion whenever it shall please God to restore peace and harmony to our now distracted country.”

It gives me the utmost satisfaction now to say, that my suggestion at that time was acted upon, and now, when we have reason to thank Almighty God that He has brought our Nation through all its troubles ; that having caused it to be baptised in blood, it comes forth regenerated, disenthralled, and ready, as we fondly believe, to march onward in harmony and peace, keeping time forever to that grand sentiment of one of our greatest statesmen, “ Liberty and union, now and forever, one and inseparable,”—that now, when all who have ever received a cordial welcome into the bosom of a brotherhood whose grand characteristics are, “ unsullied honor, unbounded zeal in a brother’s cause, and universal benevolence,” can come, without let or hindrance, and sincerely unite with us here, finding nothing on our record of the past of reproach or unkindness, and each can receive from the other a cordial and fraternal greeting.

Thanks be to God that it is thus, and that, through all the dreadful struggle, the altar fires of Freemasonry have never been extinguished, but have thrown out their pure light on the pathway of all, without reference to their affinities to the

one side or the other. The universality and the unselfishness of the Mystic Brotherhood have never been more thoroughly illustrated than through the unhappy conflicts of the past four years.

Once more are we permitted to meet in Triennial conclave. Once more doth hand clasp hand and heart leap to heart, as if some magnetic influence had drawn them together from different sections of the Union. May harmony mark all our doings, may kind feeling and fraternal affection make stronger the cords that bind us to one another, and when this meeting is ended may we all be able to say that great good has resulted from it.

My first duty will be to give to the Grand Encampment an account of my official action during the past three years.

Charters were issued to but two Subordinate Commanderies, at our last session, viz: Orleans Commandery, No. 3, at New Orleans, and Oregon Commandery, No. 1, at Oregon City, Oregon, both of which were duly constituted by proxies appointed by me.

On the 25th of January, 1864, I received a petition from the three chartered Commanderies in Louisiana, asking my warrant for forming and organizing a Grand Commandery in that State. The warrant was duly issued on that day, and the venerable Sir John Henry Holland was appointed my proxy to organize said Grand Commandery, and install the officers thereof, which he did in the City of New Orleans, on the 12th day of February, 1864, but before he had time to make his official return, the Recording Angel had stricken his name from the roll of the living, and it devolved upon other hands to give me the information of the performance of the duty thus delegated. That Grand Commandery has gone prosperously onward, as its returns show, and I trust we may hereafter hail it as the great southern cross of our Templar constellation, ever bright and true as the one which sparkles in the heavens that are spread above it.

On the 27th day of October, 1863, in accordance with an existing order of this Grand Encampment, and in conformity

with a request on the behalf of the three chartered Commanderies in the State of Iowa, I issued my warrant for the formation of a Grand Commandery in that State, and Sir James R. Hartsock was appointed my proxy to organize said Grand Commandery, and install its officers, which he did, at the City of Des Moines, on the 6th day of June 1864.

These are the only Grand Commanderies that have been added to our national organization during the past three years.

Since our last Triennial meeting, I have issued dispensations for the formation of the following Subordinate Commanderies, viz:

On the 13th day of January, 1863, for the formation of Columbia Commandery, in the City of Washington.

Sir Ben. Perley Poore, Em. Commander.

Sir Ezra Lincoln Stevens, Generalissimo.

Sir James Steele, Capt. Gen.

On the 1st of May, 1863, Sir Knight Poore resigned the office of Commander, and I appointed Sir Knight Stevens in his place, Sir Knight Steele as Generalissimo, and Sir Wm. G. Parkhurst as Capt. Gen.

On the 19th day of May, 1863, my dispensation was issued for the formation of Zion Commandery, at the town of Minneapolis, in the county of Hennipen, Minnesota.

Sir A. E. Ames, Em. Commander.

Sir R. S. Alden, Generalissimo.

Sir J. M. Eustis, Capt. Gen.

On the 15th of December, 1863, I issued my dispensation for the formation of Damascus Commandery, at the City of Keokuk, in the county of Lee, Iowa.

Sir John F. Sanford, Em. Commander.

Sir H. K. Love, Generalissimo.

Sir Geo. St. Clair Hussey, Capt. Gen.

On the 10th day of February, 1864, I issued my dispensation for the formation of Leavenworth Commandery, at the City of Leavenworth, in the county of Leavenworth, Kansas.

Sir Theodore A. Hurd, Em. Commander.

Sir Richard R. Rees, Generalissimo.

Sir Luke P. Stiles, Capt. Gen.

On the 13th of May, 1864, I issued my dispensation for the formation of Cour de Leon Commandery, at the City of Winona, in the county of Winona, Minnesota.

Sir Warren Powers, Em. Commander.

Sir Robert Urquhart, Generalissimo.

Sir George V. Bristol, Capt. Gen.

On the 5th of April, 1865, I issued my dispensation for the formation of Maukato Commandery, at the town of Maukato, in the county of Blue Earth, Minnesota.

Sir B. F. Smith, Em. Commander.

Sir Andrew Hanna, Generalissimo.

Sir Ira Hawley, Capt. Gen.

On the 5th of June, 1865, I issued my dispensation for the formation of Washington Commandery, at the City of Atchison, in the county of Atchison, Kansas.

Sir John L. Philbrick, Em. Commander.

Sir Jacob Saqui, Generalissimo.

Sir John A. Chase, Capt. Gen.

On the 24th of July, 1865, I issued my dispensation for the formation of Mount Calvary Commandery, at the City of Omaha, in the Territory of Nebraska.

Sir Robert C. Jordan, Em. Commander.

Sir Robert W. Furnas, Generalissimo.

Sir George B. Graff, Capt. Gen.

It is presumed that all the Commanderies above mentioned, except Damascus, at Keokuk, Iowa, will petition for charters at this meeting. A Grand Commandery having been formed in Iowa, since that dispensation was issued, that Commandery, if existing, should have already become a constituent of the Grand Commandery of that State. I observe, by the proceedings of the Grand Commandery, on the first day of its session, that a resolution was passed requesting this Grand Encampment to refund the fees received for the dispensation issued for the formation of the Commandery at Keokuk, and I respectfully recommend that it be done.

The same incipient action that was required before issuing the dispensation for the formation of Oregon Commandery in

1860, was required before I could issue my dispensation for the formation of Mount Calvary Commandery at Omaha. There were only four known Templars in Nebraska, three of whom hailed from different Commanderies. I issued a preliminary dispensation to them, empowering any three of them, hailing from different Commanderies, to open a Commandery of Knights Templar at Omaha City, and to create a sufficient number of Knights Templar to form a constitutional petition ; which was done, and due return made to me, and the petition forwarded, upon which my dispensation was issued.

On the 4th day of June, 1865, I received a statement from Sir Albert G. Mackey, Charleston, South Carolina, setting forth the fact that South Carolina Commandery No. 1, had held no meeting for the four years then past, in consequence of the dispersement of its officers and many of its members ; but that those who remain in Charleston were desirous of reviving the Commandery ; and he, therefore, as Past Eminent Commander, petitioned for a dispensation authorizing him to resuscitate said Commandery under its old charter.

Believing that it would be greatly conducive to the interests of our Order to grant such a dispensation, and seeing no reason why it should not be done, in accordance with known precedents, I issued my dispensation to Sir Knight Mackey, Past Eminent Commander, as aforesaid, to revive said Commandery.

No return has been received from Sir Knight Mackey, and it is unknown to me whether South Carolina Commandery is now in existence as a constitutional body.

During the past three years I have attended, officially, many assemblages of Sir Knights of our Order, and have ever been received and entertained with all the respect and kindness which is due to the Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States.

On the 4th day of July, 1863, it was arranged that a generous Sir Knight of Washington should present to Washington Commandery No. 1 two elegant banners—one the great banner of our Order, the other the glorious banner of our country.

Columbia Commandery was invited to participate in the ceremonies, and, although holding my affiliation with Washington Commandery, and, as a Knight thereof, bound to be present, I was specially invited as Grand Master to appear officially, which it afforded me great pleasure to do.

The Commanderies were formed at their Asylum at an early hour, and marched in full numbers to the residence of the Sir Knight who made the present, in front of which they were drawn up, and, after appropriate religious services, the banners were solemnly dedicated by our V. E. Grand Prelate, Rev. R. McMurdy, D.D., L.L.D.; the formal presentation was made, and eloquent and appropriate remarks were spoken; the whole matter being most creditable to our Order. The two Commanderies then, by particular invitation, marched to the City Hall, and escorted the Mayor and Corporation of Washington to the President's grounds, where ceremonies appropriate to the day were performed, which were joined in by the President and his Cabinet.

On the 9th of September, 1863, I visited Philadelphia, at the special request and invitation of a committee of St. John's Commandery No. 4, for the purpose of advising with and instructing them in relation to the attempt of that Commandery to secede from its lawful head, the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania. I had a very satisfactory and most pleasant interview with the committee, and was highly gratified to learn that through my advice the difficulty was healed.

On the 23d of June, 1864, I accompanied the two Commanderies of Washington, and Baltimore Commandery, on a Fraternal visit to St. John's Commandery at Philadelphia. A committee of St. John's Commandery met us at Wilmington, Delaware, and the full Commandery at the depot in Philadelphia; from whence we were escorted to the Masonic Hall, and greeted with an address of welcome from the venerable Sir Knight Doctor Ducachett. From that place we were escorted to the Continental Hotel, where we were all entertained in a manner most creditable to the Knights of Philadelphia. On the evening of the 23d and the morning of the 24th we

visited the great Fair then in progress in Philadelphia, escorted by St. John's Commandery, and on the evening of the 24th, at the invitation of the Sir Knights of that Commandery, we partook with them at the Continental of one of the most magnificent banquets I ever saw spread. I mention this particularly here, because, in my opinion, such visits of the Fraters to each other are conducive of the kindest and best feeling, and serve to unite the order in the strongest bonds of Fraternal affection.

The three Commanderies returned to their residences on the 25th, and every one was loud in praise of the manner in which their Philadelphia Fraters had received and entertained them.

On the 11th of October, 1864, being on a visit to Haverhill, in Massachusetts, a committee of Haverhill Commandery waited upon me and gave me a pressing invitation to visit their Commandery on that evening, which I did, and was very much pleased to find a full assemblage of Sir Knights, in full and perfect uniform, by whom I was received in a most appropriate and courtly manner. My engagements were such as to render my visit brief, but before I left a promise was drawn from me to visit their Commandery again on the succeeding Tuesday, and, as Grand Master, install their officers, which I did, traveling nearly 150 miles to do so. One side of the ample hall of the Commandery was filled with the lady relatives of the Sir Knights. The installation ceremonies were full and most impressive, accompanied with prayer and singing. Addresses were delivered by Eminent Commander Chase and myself. After the ceremonies were over, and the Sir Knights had divested themselves of their regalia, an elegant collation was served, and eloquent and appropriate speeches were made by members of the Commandery and visiting Fraters from Boston, who honored the occasion with their presence.

On the 14th of October, 1864, I had the pleasure to be present and participate in the ceremonies of laying the cornerstone of the Masonic Temple in Boston, an occasion which no

one, who had the good fortune to be present, will ever forget. If the honors with which your Grand Master was received and entertained by the Grand Body of Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island is to be taken as an indication of their affection for this Grand Encampment, then may we be sure that there is none more loyal in all this broad land. He was escorted from the R. R. Depot to the Hall, by Pilgrim Commandery of Lowell, and was there received by a Committee of the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, by whom he was introduced to that Grand Body, and received in the most flattering manner by Grand Master Gardner. After the procession was over, the high honor, and exceeding great pleasure, of reviewing 800 Templars on Boston Common was afforded him. It was such a display of Christian knighthood as has rarely, if ever, been seen on the continent of America, and the entire review was conducted with the order and military precision that would have done honor to veteran soldiers.

On the 28th of October, I attended, by invitation, the annual meeting of the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and installed the officers elect of that Grand Body. There, again, I was received with all the courtesy and kindness that could be bestowed upon the constitutional head of this illustrious Body.

On the 27th of April last I visited Baltimore Commandery No. 2, at Baltimore, and conferred the Encampment orders, and installed the officers of that Commandery.

These comprise all the official visits I have made during the past three years.

I will now proceed to state such of my official decisions during the past three years as touch questions on which I have no knowledge that decisions have heretofore been made.

I have been asked for my opinion on numerous questions, which have been heretofore settled, either by my predecessors or myself. These of course, I shall not again bring to your notice.

In reply to a letter from a Sir Knight of Louisiana, in Nov.

1862, in which he propounded the question : " If a Sir Knight, not being a member, or belonging to any Encampment (Commandery) that holds its charter immediately from the Grand Encampment of the U. S., is eligible to any office in the Grand Encampment of the U. S., or, if elected, can he be legally installed as such ? "

I answered : " Under the provisions of our Grand Constitution, he cannot. But being aware that your question applies to a Sir Knight who was recently elected to an office in the Grand Encampment, who at the time of his election was a member of Orleans Commandery, which, having been chartered previous to his election, he thereby became eligible to office, was rightfully elected, and is entitled to be installed."

The following question was asked by a Grand Commander: " Has a State Grand Commandery the power of making assessments upon its subordinates *in the form of edicts?*"

To which the following answer was given : " Article IV., Sec. 1, paragraph 4 of our Grand Constitution, authorizes State Grand Commanderies to require of subordinate Commanderies ' such proportions of the sums received by them for conferring the orders ; likewise such sums, in the form of annual dues from their respective members, as may be necessary *for supporting the Grand Commandery.*' "

Here is full and ample power given to a Grand Commandery to " require " of subordinate Commanderies whatever may be found necessary to support the Grand Commandery. It may be argued that the Grand Encampment has specified the *manner* in which this shall be done. True ; but if the Grand Commandery has fixed the proportion of the sum for conferring the orders at \$1 for each Knight created, and the annual dues at 50 cents for each member, and it so happens that no Knights are created, and so many of the members have either dimitted or died as to reduce the income of the Grand Commandery to one half of its annual necessities, what is to be done ? The Grand Encampment evidently intended that the Grand Commandery *should be supported*, and it must either resort to an assessment on its subordinates, or submit to the

disgrace of bankruptcy! The subordinate Commanderies having formed the Grand Commandery, it is their duty to sustain it or dissolve it; and if they desire to sustain it they must submit to an assessment for that purpose, if necessary.

Mackey says: "Every Grand Lodge has the right to impose a tax on its subordinate Lodges."—*Jurisprudence*, page 432. And on page 433, he says: "That the power to impose taxes is a prerogative of *every sovereignty* is a doctrine which it would be an act of supererogation to defend, for no political economist has ever doubted it."

There can be no doubt that a Grand Commandery has the power to make the assessment.

Upon being interrogated by the Em. Commander of a Commandery under dispensation, as to the powers of a Commandery thus situated, I decided that a Commandery U. D. was placed, by our Grand Constitution, in the same position as a chartered Commandery, with these exceptions: that a Commandery U. D. is limited in its existence; that it cannot elect its three first officers; and that it cannot be represented in the Grand Body from the presiding officer of which it has received its Dispensation. And I also decided that Templars, who have received the orders in a Commandery U. D., sustain the exact relation to that Commandery and to the great body of Templars, that those who have received the Orders in a chartered Commandery, sustain to the Commandery in which *they* were made, and to the great body of Templars. The mere conferring of the orders does not make the candidate a *member* of the body that confers them, but the signing of the by-laws does. These decisions will be found much elaborated on the 42d, 43d, 44th, 45th, 46th and 47th pages of the Grand Master's letter-book.

To the question "whether it is proper to place in the By-Laws of a Commandery a requirement that an applicant for the order should be a Royal and Select Master?" I replied thus: "I am very sure that my M. E. predecessor, Sir W. B. Hubbard, decided that question in the negative, but cannot find the decision. It has always been understood that

the only test to which a candidate should be subjected is, that he is a Royal Arch Mason; and the certificate attached to the petition is always, so far as I have seen, that the applicant is a Royal Arch Mason (which is a requirement of our Grand Constitution). If we commence making innovations, there is no telling where we shall stop. If the Royal and Select be required, we shall next have the A. and A. Rite, and so on.

My opinion is decided that it would be an improper innovation in the By-Laws of any Commandery, to require that the candidate should be a Royal and Select Master. *L. Book, p. 65.*

While upon this subject, it is proper that I should call the attention of this Grand Body to the fact that, long since I made the foregoing decision, the Grand Commandery of Connecticut so amended their By-Laws as to require that every candidate within that jurisdiction should be a Royal and Select Master.

Now, as there are hundreds of Royal Arch Masons, who have been made Knights Templar, who have never received the degrees of Royal and Select Master, such a requirement by any Grand Commandery is equivalent to an edict debarring a certain class of Templars from visiting the Commanderies within its jurisdiction. Such could not have been the intention of the Grand Commandery of Connecticut, as it would be unjust; and I know the magnanimous Fraters who compose that Grand Body too well to believe that they would do injustice to any one. I hope this Grand Encampment will seriously consider whether it is not proper that some action should be taken in regard to this matter.

A Grand Commander asks, whether a *Grand* Commandery has the right to confer the Orders upon a regular Royal Arch Mason, who has never applied for the Orders to any subordinate Commandery, either with or without fee?

The Constitution of the Grand Encampment of the U. S. provides that "no Commandery, *Grand* or subordinate, shall confer the Orders of Knighthood upon any one who is not a

regular Royal Arch Mason." (Sec. II. Art. 4.) Here is a direct admission by the Grand Constitution that a Grand Commandery may confer the Orders.

The 5th clause of Section 1 of the same Article provides, that "no subordinate Commandery shall confer the Orders of Knighthood for a less sum than twenty dollars." The inference is, that a *Grand* Commandery may act its own pleasure as to fees.

One of Grand Master Hubbard's decisions is, that a Grand Commandery *has the sole power to heal*, and he follows it with the remark, "But, as in the olden time, the Supreme Power, when assembled in Chapter, did not ordinarily *confer* the Order on applicants, the usage obtained of delegating this and other matters of importance to the subordinates." The inference being that the Supreme Power did, "in the olden time," on *extraordinary* occasions, and that, in later times, the Grand Bodies, having the *sole power to heal*, possess also the power to confer the Orders.

I have no doubt that a Grand Commandery has the power to confer the Orders of Knighthood, and to do so with or without fees, as they may deem most expedient. It is, however, a power which should be exercised with great caution, and only on extraordinary occasions. *L. B.*, p. 90.

A Grand Commander asks whether it is absolutely necessary that every member of a Commandery who may be present, should vote on the admission of a candidate?

To which I answered that it was not; as, if it were, a single Knight could prevent the election of any candidate without using the black ball, as long as he pleased, as there is no way of forcing a member to vote.

A conscientious reason for not voting would be that the member declining had not sufficient knowledge of the candidate to vote *for* him, and knowing nothing against him, he could not vote to reject. *L. B.*, p. 93.

Commanderies, having exclusive power to decide all questions concerning membership, must decide all questions concerning petitions therefor by vote—such as whether or not a petition may be withdrawn, &c. *L. B.*, p. 94.

A Commander asks if there is any remedy where a member of the Commandery persists in casting a black ball? I answer, there is none known to me or to the Masonic laws and usages. The ballot *must be* secret and it *must* be sacred. It is a right that any member has, which cannot be questioned or interfered with, to reject whomsoever he pleases, and his motive cannot be questioned. *L. B.*, p. 95.

The Grand Commander of Kentucky asks: "Can Louisville Commandery confer the Orders of Knighthood on a sojourning Royal Arch Mason, residing in Alabama?" I will give my answer in full:

"It is well known to us all that a Grand Commandery has been formed in Alabama, and also that there are subordinate Commanderies in that State. *Our* Grand Constitution expressly provides 'that it shall be deemed irregular for any Commandery thus to confer the Orders on any sojourner whose settled place of residence is within any State, District or Territory in which there is a Commandery regularly at work, until the consent of the Commandery having territorial jurisdiction is first obtained,' &c.

"It is, therefore, clear that, without the consent of the nearest Commandery to the petitioner's place of residence in Alabama, or of the Grand Commandery of that State, Louisville Commandery cannot confer the Orders without subjecting itself to the penalties prescribed by our Grand Constitution.

"No power exists, either in the Grand Master or any Grand Commander, to dispense with any constitutional provision, unless the Constitution itself authorizes it.

"It will not do for us to make the least difference in our action toward sister Commanderies, on account of the rebellion, until we find that they are violating the constitutions of our Order. When that is ascertained, it will be time enough for us to act as the emergency may seem to demand. But, by all means, let us keep ourselves in the right." *L. B.*, p. 98.

One of the most troublesome and unpleasant questions with which I have had to grapple during this term of my Grand Mastership, has recently arisen in Missouri.

The case, as it came to my knowledge early in June last, for the first time, was as follows:

The Grand Commandery of Missouri was formed in 1860, consisting of four chartered Commanderies. It held its regular annual meeting in May, 1861, according to its Constitution, at which all four of the Commanderies were represented, and the regular business of the Grand Commandery transacted.

No meeting was held in 1862, "in consequence," as the Grand Commander said, "of the continued troubles in the State."

On the day fixed by the Constitution, in May, 1863, the regular annual meeting was held, at which three Commanderies were represented, and the annual business was duly transacted.

In 1864, the regular annual meeting was again held on the day fixed by the Constitution, three Commanderies being represented, and official notice being given of the disorganization of the other, Lexington, No. 3.

Up to this time everything seems to have progressed harmoniously and satisfactorily within that Grand Jurisdiction.

The first intimation received by me that there was any difficulty among the Templars of Missouri, was by letters from Sir A. O'Sullivan, G. Recorder, and Sir Geo. Frank Gouley, dated at St. Louis, May 29th, 1865. By those letters I was informed that the annual meeting of the Grand Commandery had been held at St. Louis, commencing on the day fixed by the Grand Constitution. That the only chartered Commandery represented was St. Louis Commandery, and that Sir Joseph Foster, a Past Commander, and an honorary member of Weston Commandery, was present. Both Sir Knights O'Sullivan and Gouley went into a full history of facts and circumstances, and desired my opinion whether the meeting was legal.

I examined the subject with all the care that so grave a matter deserved, and took the advice of Sir A. T. C. Pierson, our V. E. G. Capt. Gen., and of that Eminent and learned

Sir Knight, Albert Mackey, both of whom happened to be with me at the time. And, in accordance with my own conclusions, fully concurred in by those Sir Knights, I addressed a letter to Sir Knight O'Sullivan, from which I make the following extracts: "Our Grand Constitution requires that three chartered Commanderies shall unite for the *legal formation* of a Grand Commandery; but when once formed, the Constitution goes on to say, 'A State Grand Commandery consists of the following members,' and then proceeds to enumerate exactly what its membership shall be.

"Not a word is said as to a quorum, and the inference is, that a Grand Commandery can meet on a regular constituted day, and perform its legal functions, if there be present a regularly constitutional presiding officer, together with a majority of the constitutional officers and members. The representatives of Commanderies must act their own pleasure whether to attend or not.

"The presence of the officers of Excaliber Commandery, under dispensation, adds nothing to the legality of your meeting, inasmuch as a Commandery U. D. cannot take part, as such, in the proceedings of a Grand Commandery. They could, therefore, unless they were regular grand officers, or officers of some chartered Commandery, only stand in the relation of visitors. Your own records will show the number of members entitled to seats in the Grand Commandery of Missouri, and the record of your meeting in May will show whether a majority of them were present. If they were, in my opinion, your meeting was a regular and legal meeting, and all your acts valid. If a majority were not present, then it is my opinion that your meeting was not legal, and all your acts are void. In case you were without a majority, your proper course would have been to adjourn from day to day until a majority could be procured.

"A Grand Commandery, being a legislative body, must be somewhat governed by legislative custom; and it is a rule of parliamentary law that, where a quorum is not definitely fixed by a proper power having control of the subject, it

takes a majority of all the members of the body to transact business."

I received a letter from Sir Knight Gouley, for Sir A. O'Sullivan, who was sick, dated July 6th, 1865, stating the number of constitutional members of the Grand Commandery of Missouri at twenty-five, and sending a list of their names, and also a list of those in attendance at the annual meeting—showing eleven individuals, one of whom represented by proxy two persons, which would make twelve, and stating that there were fourteen votes cast. To that letter I replied, that "according to your statement, there can be no doubt as to the legality of your annual meeting of the Grand Commandery of Missouri."

I soon after received a letter from Sir Knight Belt, dated July 14, accompanied by a full list of all persons whom, he said, were entitled to vote in the Grand Commandery of Missouri, showing thirty-two constitutional members. This list I carefully verified by comparing it with all the printed proceedings then before me, and although a slight discrepancy appeared, in the fact that, in my opinion, one Knight counted by Sir Knight Belt had no right to be counted, another not counted by him, ought to have been counted, the number composing the Grand Commandery appeared to be thirty-two, and there not being seventeen present at the annual meeting in May, I came to the conclusion that the proceedings of that meeting must be held to be null and void.

I so replied, at much length, to Sir Knight Belt, and immediately sent a copy of my letter to Sir A. O'Sullivan.

As soon as my letter reached Sir Knight O'Sullivan, he, being sick, referred it to Sir Knight Gouley, who proceeded to obtain direct evidence that three of the Knights embraced in the list sent me by Sir Knight Belt as legal members of the Grand Commandery of Missouri, were unaffiliated Templars—that two, so embraced, had permanently removed from the jurisdiction, and that one left St. Louis a number of years ago, before the Grand Commandery of Missouri was formed, and was supposed to be dead. He also sent evidence to

prove satisfactorily to me that there were fourteen members present at the Annual Meeting of the Grand Commandery, in May, which was a quorum.

Under this state of things, I wrote Sir Knight Gouley that I should reconsider what I had before hypothetically decided, and not make a final decision regarding the subject until I had given the contestants an opportunity to come before me here on the 4th instant, and I sent a copy of my letter to Sir Knight Belt.

On the 4th instant (yesterday) Sir Knight Belt, with Geo. W. Belt, Grand Commander of Western Commandery, Sir Joseph G. Grubb, of St. Joseph's Commandery No. 4, Sir Knights O'Sullivan, Gouley, Aglar and Bosbyshell, of St. Louis Commandery, appeared before me in this city, and after a most pleasant, Knightly and harmonious interview, the question was happily settled without my intervention, and the Grand Commandery of Missouri stands upon our record, united, faithful and true, and it is constitutionally and ably represented in this Grand Encampment.

A very unpleasant and troublesome difficulty arose, in the summer of 1863, among the members of Indivisible Friends Commandery No. 1, at New Orleans, which for a time threatened to destroy that old and respectable Commandery. After a very voluminous correspondence with the Eminent Commander and an old Past Commander of said Commandery, I finally appointed Sir Knight J. Q. A. Fellows as my proxy, to endeavor to settle the difficulty. He reported in July that he found it out of his power to do so. I then issued my edict on the 12th of August, 1863, in which I endeavored to state succinctly all the facts that had occurred to mar the harmony of the Commandery, and to state my conclusions thereupon. The difficulty, stated as briefly as possible, arose from a disaffection of a portion of the Commandery with their Eminent Commander, Crane, for the following reasons:

1st. Because he attended the Triennial Meeting of the Grand Encampment, in 1862, without consulting the members of the Commandery.

2d. Because, by his order, the meetings of the Commandery were moved from one point in the city to another.

3d. Because the Eminent Commander had announced that in consequence of the absence of many members from the city, that no election would be held on the day fixed by the By-Laws for the annual election.

For these reasons the disaffected Sir Knights went so far as to call a meeting of the Commandery, at what they styled "the old place," and with *a copy* of the charter before them, and in the absence of their Eminent Commander, they proceeded to elect and install their officers, and to work in the several Orders, while, at the same time, the other portion of the Commandery, with the Eminent Commander and the charter present, were holding meetings in Masonic Hall, and creating Knights.

At this point of their disunion I was called upon to interfere, and did as above stated.

I fully sustained Commander Crane in attending the Triennial Meeting, it being his duty to do so without consulting any one, and pronounced the proceedings at the meetings held without the charter null and void.

I directed Sir Knight Crane to cause every member of Indivisible Friends Commandery to be summoned to assemble at "the old place of meeting," at some fixed time, and to be there present himself, with the charter, organize his Commandery, and proceed to elect officers.

And that those persons who had been created Knights Templar during the time when the Sir Knights were acting in two separate bodies might not suffer, they being ignorant as to which was the legitimate Commandery, I delared that all who were created in either assemblage should be recognized as regular Knights of our Order.

And finally, in my edict I appealed to the Sir Knights of Indivisible Friends Commandery, one and all, to divest themselves of all unkind feeling one to another, to meet in the sacred Asylum as "*indivisible friends*" in deed as well as in name, and, casting from them all enmity, all ill-feeling, all

desire to accuse one another of wrong, and exercising that "charity which suffereth long and is kind," kneel together and renew their vows of affection and fidelity.

My edict was transmitted to our Grand Recorder, to be officially forwarded to Sir C. Preston Crane, and was so forwarded, but, through some inadvertance, was not received by him, and was returned through the dead letter office to our Grand Recorder on the 12th of December, 1863.

In the meantime I received a letter on the 8th of November from Sir J. Q. A. Fellows, informing me that nothing had been received from me, and I immediately enclosed to him a copy of my edict, requesting that Sir Knight Crane would act upon the copy, if he had not received the original, which I presume he did, as in January, 1864, I received a regular petition from the three commanderies in Louisiana, signed by Sir C. P. Crane, as Past Commander, and J. H. Holland, as Commander, of Indivisible Friends Commandery, upon which I issued my warrant as before stated, and I hope and trust that harmony and kind feeling now prevail throughout that Grand Jurisdiction.

All the papers relating to this case will be found in a bundle submitted herewith.

It is well known to all the members of this Grand Encampment that ever since the adoption of the constitution under which we are now acting, that many of the changes made from the constitution before in existence were unsatisfactory to some of the State Grand Bodies, and that two of them at least, and those among the most influential of the constituency of this Grand Encampment, declined to conform to some of the requirements of our present Grand Constitution, viz: The Grand Encampments of Massachusetts and Rhode Island and of Ohio. In the latter jurisdiction the question of conforming had been mooted with much apparent feeling on the one side and on the other, but both these most respectable Grand Bodies avowed themselves true to their allegiance to the Grand Encampment, and the difference seemed only to amount to matter of form. Since I assumed the exalted

position I now occupy, as all will bear me witness, I have done every thing that seemed to me possible to reconcile the existing difficulties, and my most ardent desire has been that when I surrendered my Grand Mastership, I should surrender it to one who could preside over a National Grand Body, in perfect harmony in all respects with each one of its wide-spread constituents. With this feeling uppermost in my heart, I received an official copy of a resolution passed by the Grand Encampment of Ohio, at its annual meeting in October, 1863, from the Grand Recorder of that body, in the following words :

Resolved, That a committee of three, of whom M. E. Grand Master Jarvis be one, be appointed, on the part of this Grand Encampment, and that a similar committee on the part of the Grand Encampment of the United States be suggested, charged with the duty of considering the points of disagreement between these bodies, and, so far as may be practicable, reconciling the same, said committee to report to their respective bodies at their conclaves to be held in Columbus in the year 1865."

This resolution, as the copy of the record accompanying it stated, was offered by Sir William B. Thrall, Past Grand Master, and was unanimously adopted.

The committee consisted of Sir Kent Jarvis, Grand Master; Sir Wm. B. Thrall, P. G. Master; and Sir Heman Ely, Dep. G. Master.

I hailed with great satisfaction this action of the Grand Encampment of Ohio, because it seemed to me to be the starting point for an amicable and Knightly adjustment of the existing difficulties, and on the 12th of December I addressed a letter to our V. E. Grand Recorder acknowledging the receipt of the resolution, in which I said: "I presume it was the intention of the resolution to invite me, as Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States, to appoint a committee on the part of the Grand Encampment of the United States, that it may act during the recess and be ready to report at the time specified. No one can be more anxious than I am that the disagreement in question should be reconciled, and having no doubt as to my power to appoint such a committee I shall do so."

I proceeded to appoint Sir John W. Simons, of New York ; Sir Solomon D. Bayless, of Indiana ; and Sir Ezra L. Stevens, of the District of Columbia, the committee on the part of the Grand Encampment of the United States.

The joint committee thus appointed, met in the City of Washington, on the 1st day of June, 1864, all the members being present, and proceeded, at once, to perform the high and important duties assigned to them.

Their first action was to invite your Grand Master to participate in, and to preside over, their deliberations.

They devoted two days, industriously, to the labor before them, and all their consultations were marked by a kindness, courtesy, and good feeling seldom witnessed in any meeting of the kind.

Their deliberations resulted in the adoption, unanimously, of five resolutions, touching the subject on which they had assembled, and it is to be hoped that those resolutions will be considered here, and be made the basis of a settlement of all misunderstanding between this Grand Encampment and any of its Grand Constituencies.

The proceedings of the joint committee were printed in full, and distributed throughout our Grand Jurisdiction, and since my arrival here I have placed many of them in the hands of members of this Grand Body.

Having joined in the deliberations of the committee, and voted for the resolutions, I consider it my duty to urge earnestly upon the Grand Encampment the appointing of a committee, to which those proceedings shall be referred, with power to propose such action as will insure harmony in the future.

And as the nomenclature adopted in our present Grand Constitution, does not meet the approbation of many of the Grand Bodies of the States, I also earnestly recommend that the special attention of the committee be directed to that subject, and that they be instructed to consider the propriety of making such a change as shall better accord with other jurisdictions of the world, and be satisfactory to all.

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

And while on this grave subject of a change in our Constitution, I desire to call your attention to what seems to me a very important oversight, and which should at once be remedied.

The first section of the first article of our Constitution enacts that "The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States is thus constituted," and then goes on to specify, with great exactness, by whom it shall be constituted; but not one word is said as to how many shall be present at a meeting to form a quorum for business.

Fortunately, this question has never been raised, and the presumption has always been that a quorum was present.

I have examined this subject with great care, and have been irresistably drawn to the conclusion that, as long as the Constitution is silent on the subject, it should require a majority of all who are entitled by that instrument to vote to form a quorum.

From the most reliable data within my reach I have made an enumeration of every person who has a right to vote in this Grand Body, which will accompany this report, and I think you will receive, with some surprise, the information, that one Grand Body within our jurisdiction has the right, were all the individuals present, to cast at least fourteen votes in this Grand Encampment!

I make no recommendation as to the specific formation of a quorum, although I have formed a decided opinion on the subject, which I shall have no hesitation in expressing to any committee who may desire it.

I have observed, in passing over the printed proceedings of the several Grand Commanderies, that comments have been made upon the action of this Grand Encampment, at its last Triennial meeting by which an order was *unanimously* passed "That it be enjoined upon all State Grand Bodies, and Subordinate Commanderies under the jurisdiction of this Grand Body, to use the Ritual, a copy of which is in the possession of the M. Em. Grand Master, being the same which is in use in the jurisdiction of Massachusetts, and that in con-

ferring the Order of Knight of Malta it should be made as much a separate ceremonial as is observed in conferring the other Orders of Knighthood."

The words "Knight of Malta" not being in our Constitution, it is objected that the foregoing order is in contravention of that instrument.

Let me, in the first place, call your attention to the fact, that the foregoing order does not *authorize or direct* the conferring of the Order of Malta in our Commanderies. It takes it for granted that, what we all know is the actual fact, the Order of Malta is given in some shape, and only undertakes to *direct* that when it is given, it shall be given in a certain manner. This is all. The Constitution itself does not enact what orders *shall be* conferred in our Commanderies; but, in a *directory* clause, it says: "The rule of succession, in conferring the Orders of Knighthood, shall be as follows: 1. Knight of the Red Cross; 2. Knight Templar."

In no other place in the Constitution are the orders to be conferred, in any way designated by name.

Now, let me ask, is there a single Knight Templar in this audience—is there one in the United States—who has not, either by explanation, or by the full work, been initiated into the mysteries of the Order of Malta or St. John of Jerusalem, as the same is supposed to have been conferred upon the ancient Knights of that Order? Not one, I will venture to say; and there must be many here who have received the Orders of Knighthood since the present Constitution was adopted at Hartford, in 1856. Up to that time it is a well-known fact, that in the clause of the old constitutions, corresponding with the one just quoted from the present, there was added—"3. Knight of Malta;" and the Committee on the Constitution reported that clause as it stood.

I was then Grand Recorder, and state what I know to be the fact, and what I do not doubt will be well remembered by any of the Knights here present, who attended that meeting, although the record does not show it, that Sir Knight Mackey moved to strike out "3. Knight of Malta." That

he gave his reasons at length for his motion, and that he coupled with his motion a suggestion that, as it had always been the custom to create a candidate a Knight of Malta at the time he was created a Knight Templar, in future the candidate should be told that we had in our possession the manner in which the Order of Malta was given, which would now be explained.

These are the facts. And it was then fully understood that all subordinate Commanderies should explain to the newly-created Templar the Order of Malta, just as fully as it was done before the words "Knight of Malta" were struck from the amended Constitution. *And thus has it been done*, as every Templar here can attest. And why blame has sought to be cast on the Grand Encampment, for its *mere directory* action of 1862, is to me a mystery.

The joint Committee which met in June, have made a definite recommendation on the subject, which I hope will be adopted and become a part of our Constitution, with only the change of transposing the Order, so that it shall stand: "Knight of the Red Cross; Knight of Malta; Knight Templar." For it has always been incomprehensible to me why the Order of the Temple should be placed so as to appear subordinate to that of Malta, when in fact it is not so.

There are now, within the jurisdiction of this M. E. Grand Encampment, twenty-four State Grand Commanderies. The printed proceedings of eighteen of them, for the past two years, have been carefully examined by me. They present a mass of Templar information of which we may well be proud. The addresses of the Grand Commanders are, generally, conceived in that spirit of kindness, brotherly love, and true Christianity, which does them honor, and the reports of the several committees on Foreign Correspondence, evince great industry, and often eminent ability, in their authors. In that connection, this Grand Encampment stands, like some valiant Knight of the olden time, who, with lion heart, faced the brunt of the battle, while his friends, rallying about him, wielded their battle-axes, and couched their lances in his

defense, as his enemies were striving to overthrow him. Proud in his might, conscious of his strength, he stood unharmed, amid the fierce encounter, and victory perched upon his banners.

Your Grand Master has come in for his share of the obloquy that has been cast on this Grand Body. But, with a conscience void of offense, and with the belief that he has done his entire duty, with an eye single not only to the prosperity of this Grand Encampment, but to the great body of Templar Masonry in the United States, he has not suffered his equanimity to be disturbed in the least; endeavoring, in all things, to live up to that sublime requirement of our Divine Master—"Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you and persecute you."

Every Templar has a right to his own opinion, and has a right to express it freely, and if he happen to differ with me, is that any reason why our hands should not meet each other in Fraternal grasp, and our hearts mingle in Masonic and social intercourse? No, no, no! I shall, I trust, never be found subscribing to any such unchristian, unknightly and unmasonic heresy as that; but, adopting the never-to-be-forgotten sentiment of our noble and martyred President—"With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in," I shall feel, when my

— "summons comes to join
The innumerable caravan, that moves
To that mysterious realm, where each shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death"—

no reproaches of conscience, and no fear to meet my God!

The printed proceedings which I have thus examined, are those of the Grand Commanderies of California, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Vermont, and Wisconsin,

wherein are represented one hundred and ninety Subordinates. Added to these there are—or ought to be—six Grand Commanderies, from which we have received no official information for the three past years, viz.: Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia.

There are now only four chartered Commanderies directly under our Grand jurisdiction, but there are seven U. D. who will doubtless apply for charters during this meeting.

Prosperity, beyond anything for which we could have hoped three years ago, has marked the progress of our Order, and now that peace has returned to bless our land, nothing can be more bright and cheering than the prospects that are before us.

The financial condition of this Grand Body is flattering—much more so than could have been expected. The reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder will present to you the details. Notwithstanding all the expenditures incident to the three years past, our Treasury contains considerably more funds than it did at the commencement of this triennial term.

All my official correspondence is herewith submitted, and an examination of it will show that I have been by no means idle in my attention to the duties of this high office. I certainly have labored faithfully, and I hope and trust my labors have not been without beneficial results.

At the last meeting of this Grand Encampment, I reported a balance remaining in my hands, of the Grand Master's contingent fund, of \$169.41. Of that sum I have expended during the past three years \$150.75, leaving a balance in my hands of \$18.66. My detailed account is herewith submitted.

In looking through the printed proceedings of the several Grand Commanderies, I could not but observe the melancholy record, contained in almost every one, of departed Fraters. The great destroyer, against whose powerful weapons no armor is proof, has been busy with our ranks, and the evidences shown in many of the proceedings, of page

after page of "Record Monuments," bear evidence that good, and worthy, and honored men have been swept from amongst us. Many, very many, who have thus been taken away, have fallen in the battle, bravely fighting for the liberties of their country. God bless their memories. Of those who have been taken away, I know of but two past Grand officers of this Grand Encampment.

Sir Edward Asa Raymond, so long our faithful Grand Treasurer, died suddenly at his residence in Brookline, Massachusetts, on the first day of August, 1864, at the ripe age of 73 years. Sir Knight Raymond was a man of note in our Order. He devoted more than forty years to the service of Freemasonry, during which he held the office of Grand Master of Masons of Massachusetts; of Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of that State; of Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter; of Grand Master of the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite for the Northern Jurisdiction of the U. S.; and of Grand Treasurer of this Grand Body, and also of the General Grand Chapter of the U. S. In all these offices, it is believed, he performed all his duties honestly and faithfully.

Sir Knight Henry C. Lawrence, Past Grand Senior Warden of this Grand Encampment, was taken suddenly away from earth on the 20th day of December, 1862. On the 9th day of that month, in attempting to leap from a railroad car while in rapid motion, he was so severely injured as to die on the day above mentioned. He was in the very prime of his manhood, and in the midst of his usefulness. He was the first Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Indiana, and was Grand Senior Warden of this Grand Encampment from 1856 to 1859. In all the relations of life he was respected and honored, and the notices and eulogies which followed his decease, bear witness how much he was beloved.

Although the venerable and beloved Sir John Henry Holland, of New Orleans, was not an officer or past officer of this Grand Body, he was, for a great number of years, a

bright and shining light in the Masonic candlestick. He died in the city of New Orleans on the 29th day of March, 1864, aged 78. He was a native of Connecticut, but for many years made New Orleans his home, where he presided with honor and dignity over Indivisible Friends Commandery, and was, at the time of his death, its Eminent Commander. The last Templar duty he ever performed in public was to constitute the Grand Commandery of Louisiana and install its officers, acting therein as my proxy. A short time after he had performed that duty he passed away, full of years and full of honors.

The place of one of our present Grand officers is vacant. Our Grand Sword Bearer, Sir James Stirrat, will never again answer to the roll call in this world. On the first day of November last he was suddenly called from this earthly temple to join the departed hosts. No more worthy Sir Knight ever girded his sword upon his thigh; no more honest, honorable, charitable, pure-hearted, hospitable man ever lived than James Stirrat; and his loss to us all, and especially to his almost adoring family, can not be replaced. He was constant and energetic in the performance of all his duties as a Mason and as a man; and the manner in which his decease has been noticed in the jurisdiction of Maryland, where he resided, bears witness of his fidelity to every duty, and to the love which was borne toward him by all who knew him.

I respectfully recommend that such measures be taken by this Grand Body as may be deemed best, to show proper and Knightly respect to the memories of these well-beloved and eminent Fraters.

And as I cast my eyes over this noble gathering together of true men, assembled here to-day, filled with zeal and enthusiasm for the great cause of Templarism, I have stronger and brighter hopes for the stability of the Order than I have ever before felt. The North and the South, the East and the West, are all here, united by one common bond; entire organizations have traveled hundreds of miles to gladden us with their presence, and exhibit to us their appreciation of

the great Brotherhood under whose sacred banners they have enrolled themselves. Oh, that every heart here may beat true to the impulses of affection that have brought us together; and may God bless our meeting, and cause whatever we may do to be so done as to redound, through all future time, to the glory of our blessed Redeemer.

R. Em. Dep. Gr. Master, Sir DAVID S. GOODLOE, reported verbally, that since last Grand Convocation, he had performed no official act.

The V. Em. Gr. Genl., and the V. Em. Gr. Capt. Genl., each stated that they had not been called upon for any official service.

This communication of the M. Em. Gr. Master, his correspondence, decisions and accompanying papers, were referred to the Standing Committee on the Doings of the Grand Officers.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

M. Em. Grand Master announced appointment of Standing Committees, which, in full, are as follows :

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Sir John D. Caldwell, of Ohio.
Sir Joseph P. Horner, of Louisiana.
Sir Wm. W. Baker, of Massachusetts.

ON THE DOINGS OF GRAND OFFICERS.

Sir Thomas Sparrow, of Ohio.
Sir William S. Gardner, of Massachusetts.
Sir Ezra L. Stevens, of District of Columbia.

ON FINANCE.

Sir William B. Hubbard, of Ohio.
Sir Wm. R. Higby, of Connecticut.
Sir Geo. Frank Gouley, of Missouri.
Sir Saml. Stevens, of New Jersey.
Sir Chas. H. Huestis, of District of Columbia.

ON DISPENSATIONS AND NEW COMMANDERIES.

Sir Thomas A. Doyle, of Rhode Island.
Sir John Clark, of Michigan.
Sir Zenas C. Priest, of New York.
Sir Harman G. Reynolds, of Illinois.
Sir Moses Dodge, of Maine.

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Sir Wm. Hacker, of Indiana.
Sir Charles Marsh, of California.
Sir Alferd Creigh, of Pennsylvania.
Sir Geo. W. Prescott, of Minnesota.
Sir John N. McJilton, of Maryland.

ON GRIEVANCES.

Sir Azariah T. C. Pierson, of Minnesota.
Sir David S. Goodloe, of Kentucky.
Sir James L. Gould, of Connecticut.
Sir George W. Belt, of Missouri.
Sir Jeremiah L. Hutchinson, of Pennsylvania.

ON MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE.

Sir Henry L. Palmer, of Wisconsin.
Sir John W. Simons, of New York.
Sir John Q. A. Fellows, of Louisiana.
Sir Theodore S. Parvin, of Iowa.
Sir Kent Jarvis, of Ohio.

TO DESIGNATE THE PLACE OF NEXT TRIENNIAL MEETING.

Sir Heman Ely, of Ohio.
Sir Harvey G. Hazelrigg, of Indiana.
Sir Charles H. Titus, of Rhode Island.
Sir Wm. E. Sanford, of Connecticut.
Sir Orrin Welch, of New York.

PROPOSED DEVOTIONAL SERVICE.

Prior to reports from the several committees, new business was presented, as follows:

Sir ROBERT McMURDY, V. E. Grand Prelate,

from a select committee appointed at last Grand Convocation, submitted report relative to the Devotional Templar Service, as used at the Congregational Church, and which is printed in Appendix :

The committee appointed, at the Fifteenth Triennial Session, under the following resolution :

Resolved, That a committee of three Sir Knights be appointed to prepare and present a suitable *devotional service* for the Grand Encampment of the United States, which the committee shall report on the first day of the next triennial meeting of this Grand Encampment,

Beg leave to report, that they have carefully performed the duty assigned. They have not only consulted the living experts in ritualism, but they have gone to the fountains of liturgical literature of the ancient churches—Hebrew, Greek and Latin. They have studied the services used in Templar days and by the Templars themselves. They have also not slighted the numerous works on Liturgies of the last three hundred years, and those of a late date. They mention here a few, to show the spirit of the committee : Prayers for Public Worship, by Robt. Lee, D. D., Edinburgh ; Forms of Prayer for Presbyterian Chapel, Bury, Eng. ; Liturgy at Upper Brook Street Chapel, Manchester, Eng. ; Book of Prayer for Protestant Christians, London ; Hints and Suggestions on a Revision of the Liturgy, by Davis, Oxford, Eng. ; Jeremy Taylor's Holy Living and Dying ; Book of Common Prayer, 1549, and the revisions of 1552, 1559, 1604, 1637 and 1662 ; Common Prayer for Christian Worship, London ; Service Book for Public Worship, Cambridge ; Christian Worship, order of Vespers, by Miller ; Dutch Reformed Liturgy ; Liturgy of King's Chapel, Boston ; Liturgy of St. James ; Manual of Devotion, by Forman ; Service Book of the Church of the Disciples ; Service Book of the Church of the Messiah ; St. Vincent's Manual ; Visitation Manual ; Bon Mors ; Way of the Cross ; Presbyterian Liturgies ; Liturgy of the German Reformed Church ; Liturgies of the Continental Churches ; Book of Daily Prayers for German and

Polish Jews, and other Jewish Prayer Books; Missale Romanum, ex. dec.; Liturgy of the New Church; Liturgia Anglicana, 1744; Hist. Prayer Book, London; Origines Liturgicae; "Uses," York, Sarum, Hereford, Bangor, Lincoln, Aberdeen; The Three Primers; Missal Pius V.; Brogden on Liturgy and Rituals, London; Soldiers and Sailors' Manual, Presbyterian; Religious Ceremonies of all Nations, London, 1821; Mass and Rubrics, R. C. C. (Colter); Old Liturgies Accessible; Con. Celsum, Origen; Ceremonies of the Cath. Ch. (England); Godwin's Rites of the Ancient Hebrews, London; Hardy's Eastern Monachism, London; Deane's Ser. Worship, London; Rel. Cust., Burder, London; Mahavanse; Liturgiae Britannicae, Keeling, London; Alliance of Divine Offices; Monumenta Ritualio, Ecc. Aug.

This service consists of Psalms that were chanted in the Temple and by our brethren from their earliest organization to the present. The book of Psalms was, indeed, the standard liturgy and the grand magazine of devotion for the Templars as for the Church in all ages and countries.

The exhortation and confession and prayers are traditions from the East.

The Lord's Prayer, the Apostles' Creed and the Ten Commandments, (teaching the mode of petition to God, the Christian faith and the moral code) were used by Templars, whenever assembled.

The General Confession, the Lord's Prayer, the Apostles' Creed, and the Gloria in Excelsis were always said in concert, and the Psalter, the Gloria Patri, the Beatitudes, the Te Deum, Deus Misereatur, and the Litany responsively.

When addressed, engaged in songs of praise, repeating the creed, or declaring the faith of the Gospel, the Templars stood.

The special prayer as recited in the dungeons, in the times of their persecution, show the faith of the Templars of this period, and is a sufficient reply to the charge of their enemies.

In the prayers, under the caption of "The annunciation of the Blessed Mary," of "Eucharistic Litany," and "Commemorative of the Departed," these are plainly set forth not only the Templar sentiment and expression of past ages, but the sentiment and feeling of the Christian world.

Hierusalem (Jerusalem) as it was first used, by the Anglican Templars, and a most perfect translation of the original Latin hymn, and now sanctified by present universal Christendom, the Stabat Mater and Shout the Glad Tidings are deemed appropriate hymns.

This service is not doctrinal, nor polemical, but devotional. All sectarian vehemence and controversial agitation is avoided. It is expressed in language so consecrated by long and venerable usage, that it seems to be the breathing of our common humanity and Christianity. It has a peculiar sacredness as having served to clothe the homage and desires of devout men and Templars, who have long passed from this world, and some of them from the dungeons of the Papacy to the New Jerusalem above.

The committee beg leave, in conclusion, to submit the service.

ROBERT McMURDY,
E. H. TURNER.

The question being on adopting the Service,

Sir CHARLES A. FULLER, of Tenn., moved, that for the present, it lay on the table; which was agreed to.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT REFERRED.

Sir Knight HUTCHINSON called up unfinished business, as follows: (1862, p. 65.)

“ Sir Winslow Lewis, of Mass., gave notice that on the first day of the session of 1865, he should move so to amend the Constitution, that the first four Grand officers shall not be eligible to their respective offices but three years.”

He then moved adoption of the amendment.

Sir Knight GARDNER, of Mass., moved that the matter of the proposed amendment be referred to the Standing Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence; which was agreed to.

On motion of Sir Knight CLARK, of Michigan, the Grand Encampment adjourned its session until 8 o'clock A. M., to-morrow.

Attest:

JOHN D. CALDWELL,
Gr. Recorder

Second Day---Morning Session.

EIGHT O'CLOCK A. M.

The Grand Encampment reconvened, M. Em. Grand Master presiding.

Devotional exercises, conducted by V. Em. Gr. Prelate, were participated in by the Sir Knights.

The minutes were read and approved.

The books and vouchers of Grand Treasurer, and report of Grand Recorder, were presented and referred to appropriate committees.

REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES.

Sir Knight GARDNER, of Mass., presented a record of the official action of the Grand Encampment of Mass. and R. I., relative to a reported transfer to print at New York, and traffic, there, in copies of the Ritual; which he moved be referred for consideration to Standing Committee on Grievances.

Sir ORRIN WELCH, of New York, moved to amend by striking out reference to the committee named, and insert, return the paper for verbal correction as to Templar nomenclature.

The amendment not being agreed to, the motion of reference prevailed.

REFERENCE OF TOPICS OF ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER.

Sir THOMAS SPARROW, from a standing committee, submitted a report—which was adopted—as follows:

The committee on the Doings of the Grand Officers respectfully report, that they have examined the report of the M. E. Grand Master, and recommend—

1. That so much thereof as relates to Templar law, be referred to the standing committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.
2. That so much thereof as relates to dispensations and charters, be referred to the standing committee on Dispensations and New Commanderies.
3. That so much thereof as relates to financial matters, be referred to the standing committee on Finance.
4. That so much thereof as relates to the proceedings of a joint committee of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U. S. and the Grand Encampment of Ohio, be referred to a special committee of five.
5. That so much thereof as relates to the decease of Grand officers and Sir Knights, be referred to a special committee of three.
6. That so much thereof as relates to the order of Knights of Malta and the succession of conferring the Orders of Knighthood, be referred to a special committee of five.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. SPARROW,
WM. S. GARDNER,
E. L. STEVENS.

SELECT COMMITTEES.

The following select committees, above referred to, were then appointed, viz:

4. ON REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE OF GRAND ENCAMPMENT U. S. AND OF OHIO.

Sir John N. McJilton, of Maryland.
Sir Henry Clay Preston, of New York.
Sir Asa Smith, of Connecticut.
Sir Alvin B. Alden, of Wisconsin.
Sir John Ainslie, of Tennessee.

5. ON DECEASED SIR KNIGHTS.

Sir Robert D. Holmes, of New York.
Sir Christian F. Hanselmann, of Ohio.
Sir Thomas Newby, of Indiana.

6. ON THE MALTA WORK.

Sir Henry C. Ranney, of Illinois.
Sir William S. Gardner, of Massachusetts.
Sir William B. Thrall, of Ohio.
Sir William H. Strickland, of Pennsylvania.
Sir William C. Munger, of Kentucky.

HOSPITALITIES.

The hospitalities of his house and grounds were personally tendered to members and visitors by Sir Wm. B. HUBBARD, Past Grand Master, and their attendance was requested this evening.

Sir HEMAN ELY, in behalf of the joint committee of Grand Encampment and of the Grand Chapter of Ohio, invited all to the reception banquet to-morrow night at Neil House. Accepted.

An invitation courteously extended to the Grand Encampment, to visit the Central Ohio Lunatic Asylum, was accepted.

On motion of Sir Knight STRICKLAND, of Pa., it was ordered that the business session of this Grand Encampment will close for this Grand Convocation at 12 o'clock, meridian, to-morrow.

On motion of Sir Knight HOLMES, of N. Y., it was ordered that when we take a recess to-day, it will be at 1 o'clock p. m. until 3 o'clock p. m.

NEW COMMANDERIES CHARTERED.

Sir THOMAS A. DOYLE, of R. I., from a standing committee, submitted a report—which was adopted—as follows:

The standing committee on Dispensations and New Commanderies, to whom was referred the petitions of the following Commanderies under dispensation, viz: Columbia, Cour de Leon, Leavenworth, Maukato, Mount Calvary, Washington and Zion, with the papers accompanying the same—report: That they have carefully examined the records and by-laws in each case, and recommend that charters be granted to—

Columbia Commandery at Washington, in the District of Columbia;

Cour de Leon Commandery at Winona, in the State of Minnesota;

Leavenworth Commandery at Kansas, in the State of Kansas;

Maukato Commandery at Maukato, in the State of Minnesota;

Mount Calvary Commandery at Omaha, in the State of Nebraska;

Washington Commandery at Atchison, in the State of Kansas; and

Zion Commandery at Minneapolis, in the State of Minnesota.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. DOYLE,
JOHN CLARK,
Z. C. PRIEST,
H. G. REYNOLDS,
MOSES DODGE.

TEMPLAR DRILL TO BE EXEMPLIFIED.

Sir Knight PALMER, of Wisconsin, presented the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That the several different systems of Tactics and Drill for Templars, prepared by Sir W. W. Mitchell, Sir Orrin Welch, and Sir Knight Chase, and such others now in use, as the Most Eminent Grand Master may deem proper, so far as relates to the opening and closing and working ceremonies of a Commandery, etc., be exemplified in the presence of the Grand Encampment, this afternoon at 3 o'clock, to the end that a system may be adopted by this Grand Encampment which shall be uniform throughout its jurisdiction.

REFERENCE OF A QUESTION AS TO QUORUM.

On motion of Sir Knight SPARROW, so much of the address of the M. Em. Gr. Master as relates to the omission of the Constitution of the Grand Encampment to provide what number shall constitute a quorum of this body, was referred to the standing committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

IN MEMORIAM.

Sir ROBERT D. HOLMES, of New York, from a select committee, submitted report, which was adopted, as follows :

The undersigned committee on the decease of Eminent Sir Knights Templar respectfully report :

That they have heard with feelings of sorrow the announcement made in the address of Most Eminent Grand Master of the decease of Sir Edward A. Raymond, Henry C. Lawrence, John H. Holland and James Stirratt, each of whom held positions of eminence in our beloved Order, and by their Knightly virtues added to its worth and raised it in the estimation of those who were without as well as those who were within its pale. Your committee, deeming that it would be useless to attempt to add to the eulogies which have been

pronounced by the M. E. G. Master, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

Resolved, That this Grand Encampment have heard with feelings of poignant regret of the decease of Eminent Sir Knights Edward A. Raymond, Henry C. Lawrence, John H. Holland and James Stirratt, and sorrowfully adopts, as its own, the beautiful language of the M. E. G. Master in view of our bereavement.

Resolved, That a memorial page in our next printed transactions be devoted to each of the deceased Eminent Sir Knights.

All of which is respectfully submitted by

ROBT. D. HOLMES,
C. F. HANSELMANN,
THOS. NEWBY.

REPORT ON TEMPLAR JURISPRUDENCE.

Sir HENRY L. PALMER, of Wisconsin, from a standing committee, submitted report, the recommendations of which were approved, as follows :

Your committee of Masonic Jurisprudence have had under consideration the matters referred to them, and submit the following report :

We have examined the several decisions of the M. E. Grand Master, as set forth in his address, and approve the same as therein set forth, except in the following instances :

1st. In voting for admission into the Order, your committee think that every member present should be required to cast his ballot or be excused therefrom *by a vote of the Commandery*.

2d. In regard to the question of what should constitute a quorum, as referred to your committee, and as appears in the Missouri controversy, they are of the opinion that, *when not otherwise determined by some express constitutional provision*, a quorum, in any Masonic body composed principally of delegates from constituent bodies, should require at least a majority of all its constituents to be represented therein ; and that this rule should apply to this Grand Encampment as well as to the several Grand Commanderies.

[Subsequently, approval of this recommendation was reconsidered, and the propositions laid on the table.—G. REC.]

In regard to propositions for amendment of the Constitution of the Grand Encampment limiting the term of service of the officers of the Grand Encampment, and defining what should constitute a quorum herein, your committee ask to be discharged from their further consideration. While they fully appreciate the importance of these two subjects, they think that any Sir Knight could present in proper form and the Grand Encampment could act understandingly as well without a report from your committee as with such report; and besides, the time fixed for the close of the Grand Encampment precludes any final action on such amendments at this session.

Courteously submitted.

H. L. PALMER,
J. Q. A. FELLOWS.
T. S. PEARVIN,
JNO. W. SIMONS.

The report of Special Committee on Templar Devotional Service was called up, and discussed with considerable animation, when, on motion of Sir Knight HOLMES, the matter was laid on the table.

The hour of recess arrived; and Grand Encampment took a recess.

THREE O'CLOCK P. M.

The Grand Encampment resumed labor at this hour, as designated, Sir DAVID S. GOODLOE, R. Em. Dep. G. M., presiding.

The special order, for Exemplification of Drill, was temporarily deferred, on motion of Sir CHAS. A. FULLER, of Tennessee, who presented the following preamble and resolutions:

TEMPLAR RE-UNION.

Whereas, in consequence of the unhappy troubles which have afflicted our country during the last four years, and the position of military lines, some of the Grand Commanderies under the jurisdiction of this Grand Encampment have failed to hold their annual meetings as prescribed by their Constitutions: Therefore—

Resolved, That it is the policy of this Grand Encampment, and its officers, present and elect, are hereby directed accordingly, to lend all the influence and power which belongs to it, to aid in the establishment of all State Grand Commanderies which have lapsed, or become extinct or defunct, by failure to hold meetings during the past four years.

Which was unanimously adopted.

TEMPLAR DRILL.

The special order was then proceeded with; the Sir Knights, in costume, uniting in exemplification of the various evolutions of Templar Drill, conducted severally by M. Em. Grand Master, and by Sir ORRIN WELCH, M. Em. Gr. Commander of Gr. Commandery of New York.

THE KNIGHTS OF MALTA.

Sir HENRY C. RANNEY, of Illinois, from a Select Committee, submitted Report, which was adopted, as follows:

The Committee on the Rituals of Malta, report:

That they desire, if possible, to restore the Order of Malta to its original position, as appendant to the Order of the Temple, which it had always held prior to 1856. Prior to that time, the Order was always recognized in the Constitution, and was conferred, in some form, on Sir Knights wh had received the Order of the Temple.

Your Committee believe that, should it be placed in the order of its conferring, after the Red Cross and before the Order of the Temple, we should thereby give new cause of offense to those Sir Knights who have been accustomed to practice after the old and familiar manner; and be the means of introducing new difficulties, and disturbing the harmony which should ever be cultivated in our asylums.

Your Committee, therefore, recommend that Art. II. Sec. 2, of the General Regulations be amended, by adding, after the words "Knight Templar," the words "and Knight of Malta."

Courteously submitted,

HENRY C. RANNEY,
WM. S. GARDNER,
W. B. THRALL,
W. H. STRICKLAND,
WM. C. MUNGER.

RECONSIDERATION OF MATTER AS TO QUORUM.

On motion of Sir Knight DOYLE, the action of the Grand Encampment which approved the recommendation of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, relative to a quorum, was reconsidered, and that recommendation laid on the table.

REFERENCE TO COMMITTEES.

Sir Knight GARDNER, of Massachusetts, from a Standing Committee, submitted Report, which was adopted, as follows :

The Committee on Doings of Grand Officers, submit the following additional report :

That so much of the Grand Recorder's report as relates to financial matters, be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; and so much as relates to discipline of Subordinates

failing to report, be referred to the Standing Committee on Dispensations and New Commanderies.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. SPARROW,
WM. S. GARDNER,
E. L. STEVENS.

THANKS FOR USE OF STATE HOUSE.

Sir Knight SANFORD presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Encampment of the United States, are justly due to His Excellency Governor Charles Anderson, and to Dr. Awl, Superintendent of the State House, in Columbus, Ohio, and they are hereby courteously tendered to them for their hospitalities, and for the facilities granted to us in the use of this Hall for our present Triennial Session.

SPECIAL ORDER ASSIGNED.

On notice given by Sir HENRY C. RANNEY, of Illinois, it was made the special order at 9 o'clock A. M. to-morrow, to take a vote on amendment of Paragraph 2, Section 2, General Regulations, (see p. 94, 1862) so as to read,

The rule of succession, in conferring the Orders of Knighthood, shall be as follows: 1st, Knights of the Red Cross. 2d, Knight Templar and Knight of Malta.

AMENDMENT PROPOSED AS TO TITLES.

Sir JOHN N. MCJILTON, of Maryland, from a Select Committee, submitted report, as follows :

The committee to whom was referred so much of the Address of the Most Eminent Grand Master as relates to the

proceedings of the joint committee of the Grand Encampment of the United States and the Grand Encampment of Ohio, respectfully report that the five resolutions of the said joint committee alluded to in the address are as follows:

1. *Resolved*, As the unanimous opinion of this Joint Committee, that the sole and entire jurisdiction and government of the Orders of Knighthood, within the civil jurisdiction of the United States and the Territories and Districts thereof, belongs to and are properly exercised by the Grand Encampment of the United States, until State, District, or Territorial Grand Encampments or Commanderies shall have been duly established by authority of the said Grand Encampment of the United States; and that thenceforward such jurisdiction and government, within the designated geographical limits, devolve, in all their entirety, upon such local Grand Encampments or equivalent bodies, and are properly exercised by them, subject to the provisions of the Constitution of the National Grand Encampment; and that no change in the Constitution of the Grand Encampment of the United States, interfering with the powers of State Grand Encampments or Commanderies, or adding to the powers of the National Grand Body, ought to be made until such change shall have been approved by a majority of State Grand Bodies.

2. *Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Joint Committee, after fraternal communication and consultation, that while every means should be adopted by the National Grand Body, to forward the interests and preserve and defend the authority of the State Grand Commanderies, it is also the duty of all State Bodies to unite in a cordial support of the Grand Encampment, in obedience to its Constitution, until lawfully changed, and in upholding it as the representative of Chivalric Masonry in the United States of America.

3. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to amend Section 3 of Article 1 of the Constitution of the Grand Encampment of the United States, so as to provide—"The style and designation of the Grand Master is 'Most Eminent;' that of the other officers 'Right Eminent;'" and that corresponding changes be made in the designation of the officers of State Grand Commanderies.

4. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to amend Article 2 of Section 2 of General Regulations, by adding thereto as follows:—"3d, Knights of Malta"—which Article, as so amended, will read: "The rule of succession in conferring the Orders of Knighthood shall be as follows:—1st, Knight of the Red Cross; 2d, Knight of Templar; 3d, Knight of Malta."

5. *Resolved*, That the Chairman of this Joint Committee be requested to cause the action of the Committee to be printed, and early disseminated among the Order in the United States, and that he be requested to send a printed copy to each member of the Committee.

The first two of the resolutions are but a reiteration of the character, jurisdiction and duties of the Grand Encampment

of the United States and of the Grand Commanderies of the States. The matter of the fourth resolution relating to "the rule of succession in conferring of the Orders," has been submitted to another committee.

The subject, therefore, claiming the consideration of the present committee is that presented in the third resolution, as follows:

"Resolved, That it be recommended to amend Section 3 of Article 1 of the Constitution of the Grand Encampment of the United States, so as to provide—"The style and designation of the Grand Master is 'Most Eminent;' that of the other officers 'Right Eminent;'" and that corresponding changes be made in the designation of the officers of State Grand Commanderies."

The committee respectfully submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Constitution of the Grand Encampment be amended in conformity with the foregoing as specified in the third resolution, the matter of the fourth resolution being under consideration on recommendation of another committee.

J. N. MCJILTON,
JOHN AINSLIE,
H. CLAY PRESTON,
ASA SMITH,
ALVIN B. ALDEN.

The consideration of the proposed amendment was, on motion of Sir Knight MCJILTON, made the special order for 11 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

REPORT ON FINANCES—APPROPRIATIONS.

Sir Knight HIGBY, of Connecticut, from a standing committee, submitted a report—which was adopted—as follows:

Your Finance Committee have attended to their duties, and beg leave to make this their first report.

We have examined the books, entries and vouchers of the V. E. Grand Treasurer, and find all correct; and that vouchers were found for all payments for which vouchers could be given.

The aggregate of amounts received from the V. E. Grand Recorder, is \$1,491.75; from interest on loans and other sources, \$181.58—making \$1,678.33, which, with the balance in his hands at last report of \$2,447.39, makes the sum total of \$4,125.72.

We find that the disbursements amount to \$1,180.60—leaving in his hands, at the present time, \$2,945.12.

In connection with the V. E. Grand Treasurer's report, your committee have examined the M. E. Grand Master's accounts relative to his "contingent fund," and find the same correct, and vouchers presented for accompanying amounts.

His expenditures amount to \$150.75, which, deducted from amount in his hands at last report (\$169.41), leaves still in his possession \$18.66, which, added to the balance in hands of V. E. Grand Treasurer, shows the amount of available funds in the Grand Treasury \$2,963.78.

Your committee have also examined the V. E. Grand Recorder's accounts and vouchers, and find them correct, and that he has received for dues, dispensations, &c., the sum of \$1,491.75; and that the expenses incurred in the discharge of his official duties amount to \$67.96, which your committee recommend be paid by this Grand Encampment by an order on the V. E. Grand Treasurer.

We have also presented to us a bill for printing 500 copies of the Ritual service, amounting to \$54, which was authorized by the M. E. Grand Master, and we recommend its payment by an order on the V. E. Grand Treasurer.

In accordance with the M. E. Grand Master's address relative to Damascus Commandery at Keokuk, Iowa, we would recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in accordance with the recommendation of the M. E. Grand Master, the fee for the Dispensation of Damascus Commandery at Keokuk, in the State of Iowa, be paid over to the Grand Commandery of the State of Iowa, and that an order therefor, in the sum of \$90, be ordered upon the Grand Treasurer, payable to the representative of said Grand Commandery to the Grand Encampment.

In conclusion, your committee desire to congratulate the Grand Encampment upon the accuracy and integrity of your

two very important officers—the V. E. Grand Treasurer and Recorder.

All of which is courteously submitted.

Wm. B. HUBBARD,
W. R. HIGBY,
GEO. FRANK GOULEY,
SAMUEL STEVENS,
CHAS. H. HUESTIS.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Sir Wm. HACKER, of Indiana, submitted the following report of a standing committee:

The committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report That they have carefully examined the proceedings of the last triennial conclave of the Grand Encampment, and find no unfinished business therein that has not already been called up for consideration before this Grand Encampment.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM HACKEE,
CHARLES MARSH,
J. N. MCJILTON,
GEO. W. PRESCOTT,
ALFRED CREIGH.

Which was approved.

The Grand Encampment adjourned until 8½ o'clock A.M. to-morrow.

Attest:

JOHN D. CALDWELL,
Gr. Recorder.

Third Day---Closing Session.

THURSDAY—8½ o'clock A. M.

The Grand Encampment resumed business, after the Knights had participated in Templar devotional exercises conducted by Rev. Grand Prelate—M. Em. Grand Master presiding.

The minutes were read and approved.

The special order was postponed until after election of Grand Officers, which was proceeded in by ballot, and resulted in the choice of the following named Sir Knights, Grand Officers for 1865-68:

GRAND OFFICERS ELECTED.

Sir HENRY L. PALMER, Milwaukee, Wis.	.....	Grand Master.
Sir WILLIAM S. GARDNER, Lowell, Mass.	.....	Dep. Gr. Master.
Sir JOHN Q. A. FELLOWS, New Orleans, La.	.....	Gr. Generalissimo.
Sir KENT JARVIS, Massillon, Ohio.	.....	Gr. Capt. General.
Sir GEORGE W. BELT, Weston, Mo.	.....	Gr. Sr. Warden.
Sir HENRY C. RANNEY, Chicago, Illinois.	.....	Gr. Jr. Warden.
Sir JOHN W. SIMONS (No. 30 Cath. St.), New York	....	Gr. Treasurer.
Sir JOHN D. CALDWELL, Cincinnati, Ohio.	.....	Gr. Recorder.
Sir WILLIAM C. MUNGER, Louisville, Ky.	.....	Gr. St. Bearer.
Sir EZRA L. STEVENS, Washington City, D. C.	.....	Gr. Sw. Bearer.
Sir GEORGE W. PRESCOTT, St. Paul, Minnesota	.....	Gr. Warden.

EUCHARISTIC.

Sir Knight GEORGE FRANK GOULEY, of Mo., presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Encampment are hereby cordially extended to our M. E. Grand Master, Sir BENJAMIN BROWN FRENCH, for the faithful discharge of

his important duties, during the past six years, and that a committee be appointed to procure a testimonial, as a more enduring appreciation for his estimable virtues, knightly zeal, and satisfactory decisions in Templar Jurisprudence.

The Special Committee (subsequently appointed by M. Em. Grand Master PALMER) consists of Sir Knights, as follows :

Sir GEO. FRANK GOULEY.....St. Louis, Mo.
Sir ORRIN WELCHNew York.
Sir JAMES M. PORTER.....Easton, Pa.

Sir Knight O'SULLIVAN, of Mo., presented the following, which was agreed to :

Resolved, That the prayer delivered this morning, be printed with the proceedings of this Grand Body; and that the thanks of the Grand Encampment of the U. S., be tendered to Sir Knight DR. McMURDY, V. Em. Grand Prelate, for his zeal in behalf of Templar Masonry.

Sir Knight GOULEY, of Mo., presented resolution, which was adopted, as follows :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Encampment be and hereby are courteously extended to Columbia Commandery No. 2, of Washington, D. C., for their devotion to this Grand Body, in coming such a distance, to act as an escort, which duty they performed with great credit to their Em. Commander, Sir EZRA L. STEVENS.

Also, the following, which was adopted unanimously :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Encampment be and are hereby tendered to the Trustees of the Congregational Church of Columbus for the use of said Church and to the Choir for their kind attendance on the opening services on the 5th instant of this Grand Body.

PROPOSITION FOR UNIVERSAL GRAND CONVOCATION.

Sir AZARIAH T. C. PIERSON, of Minnesota, V. Em. Grand Captain-General, submitted for consideration propositions as follows, which, on motion of Sir Knight O'SULLIVAN, was laid on the table :

Resolved, That the M. Em. Grand Master be and is hereby empowered to appoint Sir Knight Tal. P. Shaffner, of Kentucky, under such title as he may deem proper, for the purpose of consulting and arranging with the different Grand Masonic jurisdictions of Europe and South America for assembling of a general Grand Convocation of the world, at some convenient time and place, to be composed of delegates from such Grand jurisdictions as may desire to be therein represented ; and further, to do, all and severally, such other acts, under instructions from the Grand Master, as shall be calculated to establish a universal Masonic recognition, and to report, from time to time, to the M. E. Grand Master, and to this Grand Encampment at its next Grand Convocation.

FINANCE—FURTHER APPROPRIATIONS.

Sir Knight HIGBY, of Conn., from standing committee on Finance, submitted resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That there be paid to the officers of this Grand Encampment the sums affixed to their respective names, for expenses in attending this Grand body, and for services, where so designated :

Sir B. B. French, G. M.....	\$150
Sir D. S. Goodloe, D. G. M.....	50
Sir Zenas C. Priest, G. Generalissimo.....	60
Sir A. T. C. Pierson, G. C. G.....	90
Sir W. E. Sanford, G. S. W.....	65
Sir John W. Simons, G. Tr.....	60
Sir John D. Caldwell, G. Rec. and services.....	275
Sir J. Q. A. Fellows, G. S. B.....	140
Sir J. L. Hutchinson, G. W.....	50
Sir R. McMurdy, G. Prelate.....	25
Sir Jos. B. Covert, G. C. Guard.....	20

The time of adjournment was extended from 12 o'clock M. to 1 o'clock P. M.

Leave of absence was granted to Sir Knights GOODLOE and HUTCHINSON.

PLACE RECOMMENDED FOR SESSION IN 1868.

Sir HEMAN ELY, of Ohio, from a standing committee, submitted report, as follows :

The committee to designate place of next Triennial Convocation, respectfully recommend the city of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, and the third Tuesday of September, A.L. 5868, A.O. 750, as the time of meeting.

HEMAN ELY,
WM. E. SANFORD,
CHAS. E. TITUS,
ORRIN WELCH.

Attached to which was a minority report, as follows :

The undersigned, member of the committee on designating place of next Triennial Meeting, recommends the City of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, and the third Tuesday of September, A.D. 1868, as the time of meeting.

HARVEY G. HAZELBIEG.

The question being on agreeing to recommendation of the committee, Sir Knight MUNGER, of Kentucky, moved to strike therefrom the words "Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania," and insert "St. Louis, in the State of Missouri;" which amendment prevailed, and as amended the report of the committee was adopted.

An ineffectual motion had been made by Sir Knight CUDWORTH to insert "Detroit, in the State of Michigan."

AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION.

Sir Knight RANNEY, of Illinois, called up the special order to add the words "and Knights of

Malta," after the words "Knights Templar," in last line of paragraph 2, Sect. 2, General Regulations, Art. 4, Const. Gr. Enc., (p. 94, 1862,) which was so amended by a constitutional vote, and that paragraph now reads :

2. The rule of succession in conferring the orders of Knighthood shall be as follows :
 1. Knight of the Red Cross; 2. Knight Templar and Knight of Malta.

TEMPLAR DRILL.

Sir HARMAN G. REYNOLDS, of Illinois, moved that the thanks of the Grand Encampment is hereby extended to Sir ORRIN WELCH, of New York, for the satisfactory manner in which the Templar Drill, exemplified by him, was conducted, and that the drill has the approval of this Grand Body.

Sir Knight HACKER, of Indiana, moved that the portion as to approval be laid on the table.

On explanation that the approval of the drill was not adopting it or making it obligatory on State Commanderies or immediate Subordinates, the motion was adopted without opposition.

AS TO TITLES—"EIGHT" AND "VERY EMINENT."

The amendment as suggested by Joint Committee of Grand Enc. U. S. and Grand Enc. of Ohio, and recommended by Select Committee, of which Sir Knight MCJILTON of Md. is Chairman, now the special order, was taken up; providing in Sec. 3, Art. I. of the Constitution of the Grand Enc. of U. S., so as to read : "The style and designation of

the Grand Master is 'Most Eminent,' that of the other officers 'Right Eminent;' also, that corresponding changes be made in the designation of the officers of State Grand Commanderies."

Pending its consideration, M. Em. Grand Master, Sir Knight FRENCH, proposed change of title of "The Grand Encampment" to "The Grand Conclave" (of Knights Templar of the U. S.). Disagreed to.

The report and proposed amendment were laid on the table.

INSTALLATION.

Sir HENRY L. PALMER, of Wisconsin, M. Em. Grand Master elect of the Grand Encampment of the U. S., was then installed by his predecessor, Sir Knight BENJAMIN BROWN FRENCH, and was proclaimed Grand Master, who responded in a few pertinent remarks.

Past Grand Master Sir Knight FRENCH, at request of M. Em. Grand Master, installed the remaining Grand Officers elect, who repaired to their respective offices of duty.

MOTION TO AMEND CONSTITUTION.

Sir WILLIAM S. GARDNER, R. Em. Dep. Grand Master, moved that the Grand Constitution be amended, wherever the title "The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States" occurs, so as to read: "The Grand Conclave of Knights Templar of the United States;" and wherever the words "State Grand Commandery or

Grand Commanderies" occur, so as to read, respectively, "State Grand Encampment, or State Grand Encampments."

This proposed amendment lies over, and will be in order for consideration at the next stated meeting (at St. Louis in 1868), where a concurring vote of two-thirds shall be necessary to adopt it.

SECRETARIAT FUND.

On motion of Sir Knight FRENCH, Past Grand Master, the Grand Recorder was authorized to draw on the Grand Treasurer for two hundred dollars, to meet contingent expenses of the Secretariat, during the recess of the Grand Encampment. Which was adopted.

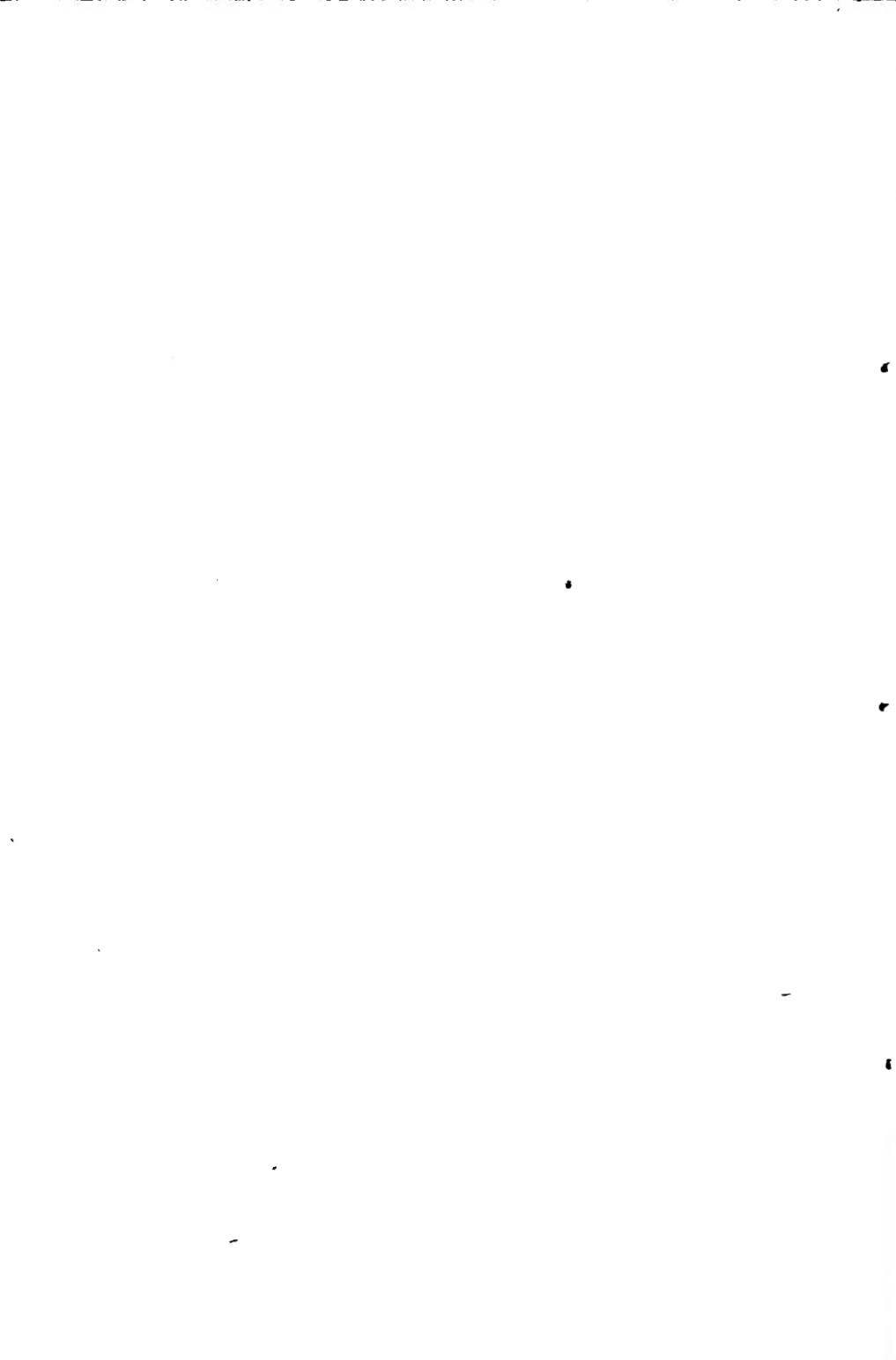
The Grand Recorder was further ordered to have printed such a number of copies of the proceedings of this Grand Convocation, as he may deem necessary, to cause suitable distribution of a portion of the same, and to draw upon the Grand Treasurer for necessary expenses therefor.

The Grand Recorder then read minutes of proceedings, and they being approved, and no other business appearing, The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U. S. closed in harmony, to meet in Triennial session in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, on the third Tuesday of September, A. L. 5868, A. O. 750.

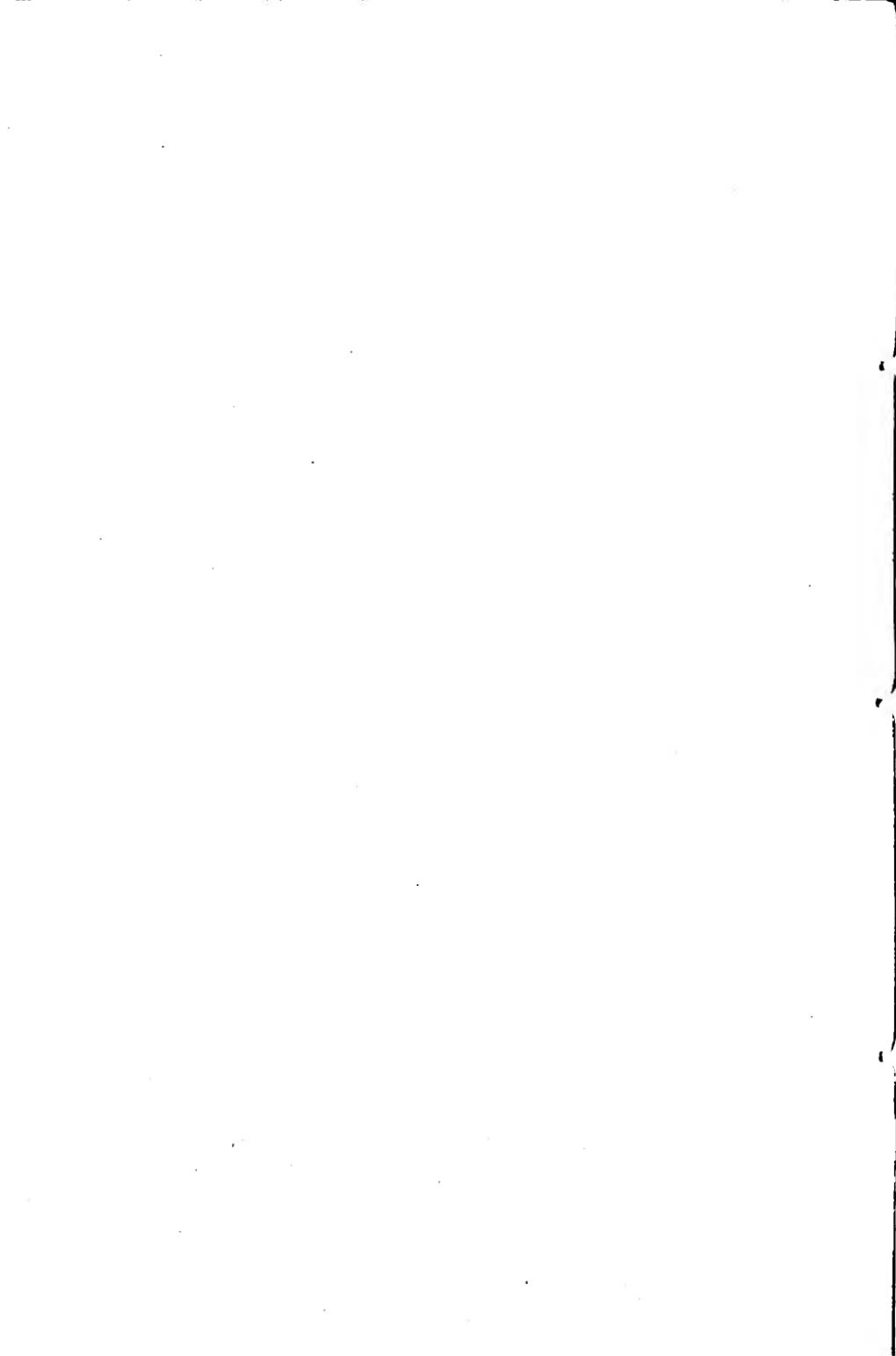
(Signed) † HENRY L. PALMER, Gr. M.

Attest:

† JOHN D. CALDWELL, Gr. Recorder.



APPENDIX.



PROPOSED FORM OF SERVICE
FOR THE
GRAND ENCAMPMENT U.S.,
ON PUBLIC OCCASIONS.

¶ The Templars having previously convened in their asylum, marching in order into the church or other place for their public worship, the M.: E.: G.: M.: and the V.: E.: G.: P.: going before, the V.: E.: G.: Prelate shall say, proceeding up the aisle—

The Lord is in his holy Temple.

The Knights—responding. Let all the earth keep silence before him.

G.: P.: From the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same.

Knights. My name shall be great among the Gentiles.

G.: P.: And in every place incense shall be offered unto my name, and a pure offering.

Knights. For my name shall be great among the heathen, saith the Lord of hosts.

G.: P.: Seek ye the Lord while he may be found.

Knights. Call ye upon Him while He is near.

G.: P.: What doth the Lord require of thee?

Knights. To do justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God.

G.: P.: Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem.

Knights. For the Lord hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem.

G.: P.: The Lord hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations.

Knights. And all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

G.: P.: Not unto us, not unto us, O Lord.

Knights. To Thy name be the glory.

G.. P.. Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne.

Knights. And unto the Lamb forever and ever.

¶ Then the Grand Prelate shall say :

Dearly beloved Sir Knights, brethren, again we rest from the active duties of our earthly pilgrimage to sing our songs of gratitude and adoration, and renew our souls at the fountains of life. We are not strangers or servants, but children of the household of God.

The Scripture, as well as the precepts of our ancient orders, moveth us to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought, at all times, humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy word, to take counsel of the interests of our orders, to promote the welfare of our Knight brethren, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying—

¶ To be said by the Knights, after the Grand Prelate, all kneeling :

(A GENERAL CONFESSION.)

Almighty and most merciful father; we have erred, and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. Through our fault, through our fault alone, through our most grievous fault, provoked Thy wrath and indignation. But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent, according to Thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Thy holy name. *Amen.*

¶ The Grand Prelate alone standing, the Knights still kneeling, shall say :

Let us beseech Almighty God to grant us, being penitent, the absolution and remission of our sins, and to grant us true repentance, and His Holy Spirit, that those things may please Him which we do

at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy, so that at the last we may come to His eternal joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

¶ The Knights shall answer here and at the end of every prayer, *Amen.* All say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

G.: P.: O Lord, open thou our lips.

Knights. And our mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

¶ *Here, all standing.*

(THE MINOR DOXOLOGY, OR GLORIA PATRI.)

G.: P.: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

Knights. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

G.: P.: Praise ye the Lord.

Knights. The Lord's name be praised.

¶ Then shall be said or sung—

DEUS MISERATUR.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us, and show us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us.

That Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise Thee, O God; yea, let all the people praise Thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad; for Thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise Thee, O God; yea, let all the people praise Thee.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase; and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us; and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

¶ Then shall be said or sung the Gloria Patri, or the Gloria in Excelsis, as followeth:

THE ANGELIC HYMN, OR GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

(From the fourth century, on the basis of Luke, ii, 14.)

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory, O Lord God,

heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that taketh away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

¶ Then (all seated) shall be read the following for a lesson, the Grand Prelate saying:

The following are the portions of Scripture appointed to be read at this service:

Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them, otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven.

Therefore when thou doest thine alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, they have their reward.

But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth:

That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself shall reward thee openly.

And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are; for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, they have their reward.

But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust do corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Take no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them; for this is the law and the prophets.

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.

Charity suffereth long and is kind; charity envieth not, charity vaunteth not itself, and is not puffed,

Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth ;
Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth
all things.

Charity never faileth.

And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three ; but the greatest
of these is charity.

¶ Then, standing, shall be said—

THE BEATITUDES.

G.: P.: Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom
of heaven.

Knights. Blessed are they that mourn ; for they shall be com-
forted.

G.: P.: Blessed are the meek : for they shall inherit the earth.

Knights. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after
righteousness : for they shall be filled.

G.: P.: Blessed are the merciful : for they shall obtain mercy.

Knights. Blessed are the pure in heart : for they shall see God.

G.: P.: Blessed are the peace-makers : for they shall be called
the children of God.

Knights. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteous-
ness' sake : for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

G.: P.: To the Holy One, the first and the last, be thanksgiving
and praise.

Knights. From all kindreds and tongues on earth and the voices
of saints in heaven. *Amen.*

¶ Then shall be said or sung the—

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS, OR GENERAL HYMN OF PRAISE.

(*Ambrosian hymn, from the fourth or fifth century.*)

We praise Thee, O God ; we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father everlasting.

To Thee all angels cry aloud ; the heavens and all the powers
therein.

To Thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry,
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth !

Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Thy glory.

The glorious company of the apostles praise Thee.

The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise Thee.

The noble army of martyrs praise Thee.

The holy church throughout the world doth acknowledge Thee,

The Father of an infinite majesty ;

Thine adorable, true, and only Son ;

Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

Thou art the King of glory, O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man, Thou didst humble thyself to be born of a virgin.

When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, Thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father. We believe that Thou shalt come to be our Judge.

We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with Thy saints, in glory everlasting. O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine heritage.

Govern them, and lift them up forever.

Day by day we magnify Thee;

And we worship Thy name ever, world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let Thy mercy be upon us, as our trust is in Thee.

O Lord, in Thee have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

¶ The Grand Prelate shall then declare the faith of the Gospel,* according to ancient custom, the Knights standing:

G.: P.: Hear the Faith of the Gospel, and defend the same with your lives.

The Choir or Sir Knights. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

G.: P.: Our Lord declares—

This is life eternal, that they might know Thee, the only True God, and Jesus Christ whom Thou hast sent.—*St. John, xvii, 3.*

St. Peter, for himself and the rest of the Apostles, confesses—

We believe and art sure that Thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.—*St. John, vi, 69.*

St. John says—

This is the commandment of God, that we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another—*1st John, iii, 23.*

St. Paul says—

If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.—*Rom., x, 9.*

G.: P.: Glory be to the Father, in (or through) the Son,† and by the Holy Ghost.

Knights. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. *Amen.*

* When the Gospel is read, the order is given before the Grand Prelate commences to handle swords. This is according to the custom of the Old Teutonic Knights. "During the chanting of the Gospel, the people, as well as the clergy, stand. Formerly, those who had staves laid them down as a token of their submission; and in the year 965, Miecislaus, the first Christian King of Poland, introduced a custom, which was long followed by the Teutonic Knights and several other religious military orders, as well as private Knights, of either laying their hands on the hilts, or holding their swords drawn, in token of their devotion to the Gospel."

—*Bp. England's Exp.*

† This is the Eastern form. The Roman and English is the scholastic.

Here sing

STABAT MATER.

P. M.

[*Hymn of the Virgin Mary, (Magnificat,) or Song of the Blessed Virgin.—Luke, i, 46-56.*]

1. Jews were wrought to cruel madness,
Christians fled in fear and sadness,
Mary stood the Cross beside.
2. At its foot her foot she planted,
By the dreadful scene undaunted,
Till the gentle sufferer died.
3. Poets oft have sung her story ;
Painters decked her brow with glory ;
Priests her name have deified.
4. But no worship, song, or glory,
Touches like that simple story,
" Mary stood the Cross beside."
5. And when under fierce oppression,
Goodness suffers like transgression,
Christ again is crucified.
6. But if love be there, true hearted,
By no grief or terror parted,
Mary stands the Cross beside.

¶ Then shall be said the Apostles', or Nicene, creed by Prelate and Knights, standing.

(THE APOSTLES' CREED.)

[This is the oldest and most universal of Confessions. The portions added to the ancient words in the Roman and Reformed Churches are marked in brackets.]

I believe in God the Father Almighty, [Maker of heaven and earth ;] And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord ; who was [conceived] by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary ; suffered under Pontius Pilate ; Was crucified, [dead,] and buried ; [He descended into hell ;] The third day He rose again from the dead ; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of [God] the Father [Almighty ;] from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy [Catholic] Church, [The communion of saints ;] The forgiveness of sins ; The Resurrection of the body ; [And the life everlasting.] Amen.

G.: P.: The Lord be with you.

Knights. And with thy spirit.

G.: P.: Let us pray. (All Kneel.)

G.: P.: O Lord, show Thy mercy upon us.

Knights. And grant us Thy salvation.

G.: P.: O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Knights. And take not Thy Holy Spirit from us.

G.: P.: Let Thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

¶ Then shall the Grand Prelate rehearse the ten commandments, the Knights still kneeling:

G.: P.: God spake these words, and said: I am the Lord thy God; thou shalt have none other gods but me.

Knights. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

G.: P.: Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and show mercy to thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

Knights. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

G.: P.: Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who taketh His name in vain.

Knights. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

G.: P.: Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work; thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy manservant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

Knights. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

G.: P.: Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

Knights. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

G.: P.: Thou shalt do no murder.

Knights. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

G.: P.: Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Knights. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

G.: P.: Thou shalt not steal.

Knights. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

G.: P.: Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

Knights. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

G.: P.: Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

Knights. Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech Thee.

¶ Then the Grand Prelate may say :

Hear also what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it ; thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

O Lord, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth ; send thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts the most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before Thee. Grant this for Thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity ; and, that we may obtain that which Thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things, graft in our hearts the love of Thy name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Thy great mercy keep us in the same, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto us Thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity ; we beseech Thee that Thou wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

(THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED MARY.)

We beseech Thee, O Lord, pour Thy grace into our hearts, that, as the mother of Jesus was filled with joy and gratitude on the prospect of his birth, so we, by his coming, by his labors and sufferings, his death and resurrection, may be made triumphant over all enemies to our peace and usefulness, and may be brought to everlasting glory, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O merciful God, who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made, nor desirest the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live; have mercy upon all Turks, infidels, and heretics, and take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart and contempt of Thy word, and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to Thy flock, that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites, and be made one fold under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

(EUCHARISTIC LITANY.)

Almighty and most merciful Father, through Thy beloved Son, we remember and beseech thee to remember and to bless the multitudes who are joined with us in one household of faith and charity—Sir Knights throughout the world. *Amen.*

We remember those who have fallen asleep in Christ, and especially those who have finished their Templar course since our last convention.

(COMMEMORATION OF THE DEPARTED.)

We give Thee thanks for all Thy faithful servants throughout the world who, having fought their good fight and having witnessed in their lives a good confession, have left the light of their example to shine before our fraternity on earth. Mercifully grant that by Thy fatherly blessing we may be enabled to follow them in all virtuous and godly living, and that hereafter we may be with them and Thy glorified Son in Thy heavenly presence. *Amen.*

We remember the fathers from the beginning of the world; the patriarchs, prophets, apostles, martyrs, and the valiant and magnanimous defenders of the faith, to the present day. Refresh Thou our spirits, and may we have part and lot with all Thy saints. *Amen.*

We remember all such as journey, or are about to journey, and them that sojourn in strange lands; may they have Thee for their fellow-voyager and traveler; may it please Thee to abide with them wheresoever they abide, and whether they travel by land or by water, to bring them in safety to their destined goal. Abide with those whom they leave behind, and grant that, in health remaining, they may welcome their own in health returning, and rejoice with them in safety and in peace. *Amen.*

We remember all who are sick and in distress, all who suffer in body or in mind, all who are in prison and in bonds. As bound with them, and as sufferers with them, we bear them in our hearts and pray for their relief. *Amen.*

We remember the whole family of man, beseeching Thee that the spirits of all flesh may taste of Thy peace, and that the ends of the earth may see the salvation of God. *Amen.*

¶ All join in the following general intercession :

We sinners do beseech Thee, O Lord God, that it may please Thee to rule and govern Thy holy church universal in the right way ; to preserve all Christian ministers and people in soundness of word and holiness of life ; to put an end to all sects and scandals ; and to send forth faithful laborers into Thy harvest ; to bless the orders conferred by authority of the Grand Encampment of the United States, the various Commanderies, Grand and Constituent, and especially the Grand Encampment of the United States now and here assembled, the Most Eminent Grand Master, and all other officers ; preserve them from all error, ignorance, pride, and prejudice ; bestow upon them the spirit of truth, charity, unity, peace, and a sound mind, that they may never forget their solemn vows and promises, nor abandon the faith committed to them ; endue them with innocence of life and firmness of purpose. Look down upon the poor and destitute, the widow and the orphan, upon the bereaved, the sorrowful, the sick and the dying ; upon those who endure pain and anguish ; upon such as are unjustly held in bondage, and upon all that are desolate, wronged, and oppressed. So enrich the souls of thy afflicted servants with patience and hope, that their present troubles may conduce to their eternal salvation, and give to all nations the promised time of peace.

May our brethren live together in unity, peace, and love, bearing each others' burdens, fulfilling the law of Christ.

Build up Thy holy temple in the earth, O God, and fill it with Thy glory.

May the grace of Thy Holy Spirit, O Lord, enlighten our hearts, and abundantly refresh them with the sweetness of perfect charity, that we may be well-pleasing in Thy sight as true disciples of Thy Son. *Amen.*

Almighty God, bless our native land, and all its inhabitants, from him who wields the supreme authority of the nation down to the poorest and humblest citizen. May those in authority be diligent, just, and merciful ; may those who are governed render due obedience to the laws and a fitting respect for the administrators of them, and may peace and order, concord and good-will, plenty and prosperity be granted us as a nation ; that we more and more may have occasion and disposition to return thanks unto Thee, our all-merciful Father in heaven. *Amen.*

O heavenly Father ! who hast commanded us to love one another as thy children, and hast ordained the highest friendship in the bond of Thy spirit, we beseech Thee to maintain and preserve us therein, with all those to whom we are bound by our especial ties. Send down upon us the dew of Thy heavenly grace, and pour Thy spirit into our hearts, that, walking in Thy way all the days of our lives,

we may have joy in each other that passeth not away ; and having lived together in love here, may hereafter live forever together in that blessed kingdom, to which Thy glorified Son will welcome all his faithful disciples. *Amen.*

(Form of prayer recited by the Templars in their dungeons, when they were not allowed as listeners to be present at the celebration of divine offices.)

Domine, Jesu Christe, sancte pater æterne Deus, omnipotens, sapientis creator, largitor, administrator benignus, et carissimus amator, pius et humilis redemptor, clemens, misericors salvator, Domine, et deprecor humilietur et exoro ut illumines me, liberes et conserves fratres Templi, et omnem populum tuum Christianum turbatum.

Tu, Domine, qui scis nos esse innocentes, facias liberari, ut vota nostra et mandata tua in humiliata teneamus, et tuum sanctum servitium et voluntatem faciamus; contumelias iniquas, nos veras, contra nos oppositas per graves oppositiones, et malas tribulationes et tentationes, quas passi fuimus et pati ulterius non possumus.

Omnipotens, æterne Deus, qui beatum Joannem evangelistam et apostolum tuum valde diligis, qui super pectus tuum in cana recubuit, et cui secreta coeli revelaris et demonstravis, et stante in ligno sanctæ crucis, pro redemptione nostra, sanctissimam matrem tuam virginem commendavis, in cuius honore gloriose fuit facta et fundata religio; pro tua sancta misericordia liberes et conserves, prout tu scis nos esse innocentes a criminibus contra nos oppositis, et operas posseideamus, per quas ad gaudiam paradisi perducamur, per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

O Lord, Jesus Christ, Holy Father, Eternal God, Omnipotent, Omniscent Creator, Liberator, Benign Dispenser, most tender lover of man, pious and humble Redeemer, clement, merciful Savior and Lord, we humbly beg and implore Thee to enlighten us, and to deliver and preserve the brethren of the Temple, together with all Christian people laboring under tribulation.

Thou, O Lord, who knowest that we are innocent, promote our deliverance, that we may in humility preserve our vows and keep Thy commandments, to the end that we may accomplish Thy holy service and sovereign will. Deliver us from those cruel and unjust reproaches heaped upon us, in consequence of our great disasters, our tremendous conflicts, and our dreadful tribulations which we have hitherto borne, but have no longer strength to endure.

Omnipotent, Eternal God, who hast so loved Thy blessed evangelist and apostle John, as to suffer him at Thy last supper to recline his head upon Thy bosom, and to whom Thou hast made the revelation of the mysteries of heaven; to whom, whilst Thou wast still suspended on the wood of the cross for our redemption, Thou commendest Thy most holy virgin mother; and in whose honor our order was instituted; by Thy ineffable mercy deliver and preserve us, for Thou knowest that we are innocent of the crimes whereof we are accused; and finally, conduct us to Thy mansions of repose, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The grace of our Lord Jesus, and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

¶ Then shall be sung the following :

HIERUSALEM. (12th Century.)

FROM MSS. IN THE BRITISH MUSEUM.

Hierusalem, my happy home !
When shall I come to thee ?
When shall my sorrows have an end,
Thy joyes when shall I see ?

O happy harbour of the saints !
O sweete and pleasant soyle !
In thee no sorrow may be found,
Noe greefe, noe care, noe toyle.

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Hierusalem ! Hierusalem !
God grant I soon may see
Thy endless joys ; and of the same
Partaker aye to bee.

Thy walls are made of pretious stones,
Thy bulwarks diamonds square ;
Thy gates are of right orient pearle,
Exceedinge riche and rare.

Thy turrets and thy pinnacles
With carbuncles do shine ;
Thy verrie streets are paved with gould,
Surpassinge clear and fine.

Thy houses are of yvorie,
Thy windows crystal cleare,
Thy tyles are made of beaten gould,
O God ! that I were there.

* * * * *

Ah ! my sweete home, Hierusalem,
Would God I were in thee !
Would God my woes were at end,
Thy joyes that I might see.

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Then shall follow the Address of the M.· E.· G.· M.·—or
that of some other person appointed by him.

The services will close with the following :

Shout the glad tidings, exultingly sing,
Jerusalem triumphs, Messiah is king.
Zion, the marvelous story be telling,
The Son of the Highest, how lowly his birth ;
The brightest archangel in glory excelling,
He stoops to redeem thee, he reigns upon earth.

Here follows the benediction, when the Knights will return
in order to the Asylum.

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FORMATION
OF THE
General Grand Encampment of Knights Templar
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

The General Grand Encampment of the United States was formed at a Convention holden at Mason's Hall, in the City of New York, on the 20th and 21st of June, 1816, consisting of Delegates of Knights Companions from eight Councils and Encampments of Knights Templar and appendant orders, viz :

Boston Encampment.....	Boston, Mass.,
St. John's Encampment.....	Providence, R. I.,
Temple Encampment.....	Albany, N. Y.,
Montgomery Encampment.....	Stillwater, N. Y.,
St. Paul's Encampment.....	Newburyport, Mass.,
Newport Encampment.....	Newport, R. I.,
Darius Council.....	Portland, Maine,

When a Constitution was adopted and officers chosen.

DeWitt Clinton, of New York.....	Gen. Gr. Master.
John J. Loring, of Boston.....	Gen. Grand Recorder.

[In 1856 Title changed to Grand Enc. of K. T. of the U. S.]

Second Meeting—At New York, 16 Sept., 1819.

DeWitt Clinton.....	G. G. Master.
J. J. Loring.....	G. G. Recorder.

Third Meeting—At New York, 18 Sept., 1826.

DeWitt Clinton, N. Y.....	G. G. Master.
Oliver M. Lowndes, N. Y.....	G. G. Recorder.

Fourth Meeting—At New York, 14 Sept., 1829.

Rev. Jonathan Nye, Claremont, N. H.....	G. Gr. M.
James Herring, N. Y.....	G. G. Rec.

Fifth Meeting—At Baltimore, Md., 29 Nov., 1832.

Rev. J. Nye.....	G. G. M.
James Herring.....	G. G. Rec.

Sixth Meeting—Washington City, 7 Dec., 1835.

James M. Allen, N. Y.....	G. G. M.
Charles Gilman, Md.....	G. G. Rec.

Seventh Meeting—Boston, 12 Sept., 1838.

James M. Allen.....	G. G. M.
Charles Gilman.....	G. G. Rec.

Eighth Meeting—New York, 14 Sept., 1841.

James M. Allen.....	G. G. M.
Charles Gilman.....	G. G. Rec.

Ninth Meeting—New Haven, Ct., 10 Sept., 1844.

Archibald Bull, Troy, N. Y.....	G. G. M.
Charles Gilman, Md.....	G. G. Rec.

Tenth Meeting—Columbus, O., 14 Sept., 1847.

Wm. B. Hubbard, Ohio.....	G. G. M.
Charles Gilman, Balt., Md.....	G. G. Rec.

Eleventh Meeting—Boston, Sept. 10, 1850.

Wm. B. Hubbard, Ohio.....	G. G. M.
Benj. B. French, Washington, D. C.....	G. G. Rec.

Twelfth Meeting—Lexington, Ky., 13 Sept., 1853.

Wm. B. Hubbard.....	G. G. M.
Benj. B. French.....	G. G. Rec.

Thirteenth Meeting—Hartford, Ct., 9 Sept., 1856.

Wm. B. Hubbard.....	G. G. M.
Benj. B. French.....	G. G. Rec.

Title changed to Grand Enc. U. S.

Fourteenth Meeting—Chicago, 13 Sept., 1859.

Benj. B. French, Washington City.....	Gr. Master.
Samuel G. Risk, New Orleans, La.....	Gr. Recorder.

Fifteenth Meeting—New York, Sept. 1, 1862.

Benj. B. French.....	Gr. Master.
John D. Caldwell, Cincinnati.....	Gr. Recorder.

Sixteenth Meeting—Columbus, O., Sept. 5, 1865.

Henry L. Palmer, Milwaukee, Wis.....	Gr. M.
John D. Caldwell, Cincinnati.....	Gr. Rec.

Seventeenth Meeting to be held in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, 3d Tuesday Sept., 1868.

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OF THE

Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of U. S.

FROM ORGANIZATION IN 1816 TO 1865, INCLUSIVE.

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Isaac W. Hubbard, Vermont.....	1826-29
George W. Haller, D. C.....	1829-32
Alex. E. McConnell, La.....	1832-35
Amherst D. Scovell, Conn.....	1835-38
Simon W. Robinson, Mass.....	1838-53
Albert G. Mackey, S. C.....	1853-56
Ira A. W. Buck, Illinois.....	1856-59
Nathaniel P. Jacobs, Mich.....	1859-62
Jeremiah L. Hutchinson, Pa.....	1862-65
George W. Prescott, Min.....	1865-68

GRAND SWORD BEARERS.

Jonathan Schieffelin, N. York.....	1816-19
Ebenezer Wadsworth, N. York.....	1819-26
Thomas Hubbard, Conn.....	1826-29
Ezra Griswold, Ohio.....	1829-32
Jacob Amee, Mass.....	1832-35
Simon W. Robinson, Mass.....	1835-38
Christian G. Peters, Md.....	1838-41
Joel G. Candee, N. York.....	1841-44
Charles W. Moore, Mass.....	1844-47
William Field, R. I.....	1847-53
David Clark, Conn.....	1853-56
Willis P. Coleman, La.....	1856-59
Robert M. Henderson, Mo.....	1859-62
James Stirratt, Md.....	1862-65
Ezra L. Stevens, D. C.....	1865-68

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Ezra S. Barnum, N. York.....	1838-44
Joel G. Candee, N. Y.....	1844-47

William T. Gould, Ga.	1847-50
David S. Goodloe, Ky.	1850-53
William Field, R. I.	1853-56
Abner B. Thompson, Maine.	1856-62
John Q. A. Fellows, La.	1862-65
William C. Munger, Ky.	1865-68

GRAND RECORDERS.

John J. Loring, Mass.	1816-26
Oliver M. Lowndes, N. York.	1826-29
James Herring, N. York.	1829-35
Charles Gilman, Md.	1835-50
Benjamin B. French, D. C.	1850-59
Samuel G. Risk, La.	1859-62
John D. Caldwell, Ohio.	1862-68

GRAND TREASURERS.

Peter Grinnell, R. I.	1816-35
Edward A. Raymond, Mass.	1835-59
John W. Simons, N. Y.	1859-68

GRAND JUNIOR WARDENS.

John Carlile, R. I.	1816-26
John H. Cotton, Vt.	1826-39
Isaac W. Hubbard, Vt.	1829-32
Geo. W. Haller, D. C.	1839-35
W. W. Billing, D. C.	1835-38
Robert Smith, N. H.	1838-41
Paul Dean, Mass.	1841-44
Ezra S. Barnum, N. Y.	1844-47
William S. Chipley, Ky.	1847-50
Morgan Nelson, Va.	1850-53
David S. Goodloe, Ky.	1853-56
Henry Buist, S. C.	1856-59
Azariah T. C. Pierson, Min.	1859-62
Solomon D. Bayless, Ind.	1862-65
Henry C. Ranny, Ill.	1865-68

GRAND SENIOR WARDENS.

Martin Hoffman, N. Y.	1816-26
Joseph W. White, N. H.	1826-29
Thomas Hubbard, Conn.	1829-32
Isaac W. Hubbard, Vt.	1832-35
William James Reese, Ohio.	1835-38
William H. Ellis, Conn.	1838-41
Robert Smith, N. H.	1841-47
Ezra S. Barnum, N. Y.	1847-53
Morgan Nelson, Va.	1853-56
Henry C. Lawrence, Ind.	1856-59
Charles Marsh, Cal.	1859-62
William E. Sanford, Conn.	1862-65
George W. Belt, Mo.	1865-68

GRAND PRELATES.

Paul Dean, Mass.	1816-26
Gregory T. Bedell, Penn.	1826-29
Ezekiel S. Bascom, Mass.	1829-32
W. W. Wallace, Md.	1832-35
Paul Dean, Mass.	1835-41
Robert Punshon, Ohio	1841-44
Albert Case, S. C.	1844-47
Paul Dean, Mass.	1847-53
Wm. H. Forsyth, Ky.	1853
J. M. Wiley, Conn.	1856
William D. Haley, D. C.	1859
Robert McMurdy, D. C.	1862-65

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

Ezra Ames, N. Y.	1816-26
William Gibbs Hunt, Tenn.	1826-29
James Eiland, S. C.	1829-32
Thomas Hubbard, Conn.	1832-35
Joel R. Poinsett, S. C.	1835-38
William J. Reese, Ohio.	1838-41
William H. Ellis, Conn.	1841-44
William B. Hubbard, Ohio	1844-47
Charles W. Moore, Mass.	1847-50
William T. Gould, Ga.	1850-53
Ezra S. Barnum, N. Y.	1853-56
James Sorley, Texas	1856-59
James V. Z. Blaney, Ill.	1859-62
A. T. C. Pierson, Min.	1862-65
Kent Jarvis, Ohio	1865-68

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

Henry Fowle, Mass.	1816-19
John Snow, Ohio	1819-26
John J. Loring, Mass.	1826-29
Josiah Whitaker, R. I.	1829-32
James Eiland, S. C.	1832-35
James Herring, N. Y.	1835-41
William J. Reese, Ohio.	1841-44
William H. Ellis, Conn.	1844-50
Chas. W. Moore, Mass.	1850-56
David S. Goodloe, Ky.	1856-59
Winslow Lewis, Mass.	1859-62
Zenas C. Priest, N. Y.	1862-65
John Q. A. Fellows, La.	1865-68

DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

Thomas Smith Webb, Mass.	1816-19
Henry Fowle, Mass.	1819-26
Jonathan Nye, N. H.	1826-29
Ezra S. Cozier, N. Y.	1829-32
James M. Allen, N. Y.	1832-35
Joseph K. Stapleton, Md.	1835-50
William H. Ellis, Conn.	1850-53
William T. Gould, Ga.	1853-56
Henry C. Deming, Conn.	1856-59

David S. Goodloe, Ky	1859-65
William Sewall Gardner, Mass	1865-68

GRAND MASTERS.

DeWitt Clinton, N. Y	1816-28
Jonathan Nye, N. H.	1829-35
James M. Allen, N. Y.	1835-44
Archibald Bull, N. Y.	1844-47
William Blackstone Hubbard, Ohio.	1847-59
Benjamin Brown French, D. C.	1859-65
Henry L. Palmer, Wis	1865-68

OFFICERS
OF THE
STATE GRAND ENCAMPMENTS,
OR GRAND COMMANDERIES.

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.

Grand Encampment Formed 1805.

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

*Jonathan Gage, Newburyport, Mass.....	1805-14
*John Carlile, Providence, R. I.....	1815-17
*Peter Grinnell, Providence, R. I.....	1818-19
*Henry Purkitt, Boston, Mass.....	1820-22
*John James Loring, Boston, Mass.....	1823-24
Josiah Whitaker, Providence, R. I.....	1825-28
*Jacob Anee, Boston, Mass.....	1829-30
Thomas Power, Boston, Mass.....	1831
Abraham Annis Dame, Boston, Mass.....	1832
Joseph Young, Jun., Newburyport, Mass.....	1833
Gilbert Nurse, Boston, Mass.....	1834
Charles Whitlock Moore, Boston, Mass.....	1835
John Flint, M.D., Boston, Mass.....	1836
*John Barrett Hammatt, Boston, Mass.....	1837-38
William Field, Providence, R. I.....	1839-41
*Barney Merry, Pawtucket, R. I.....	1842-43
James Salsbury, Providence, R. I.....	1844
Samuel Fessenden, Portland, Me.....	1845
James Hutchinson, Providence, R. I.....	1846
Simon Wiggin Robinson, Lexington, Mass.....	1847
Winalow Lewis, M. D., Boston, Mass.....	1848-49
*Moses Richardson, Providence, R. I.....	1850
Asa Woodbury, Sutton, Mass.....	1851-53
*Cyrus Fisher, Providence, R. I.....	1854-55
James Warham Crooks, Springfield, Mass.....	1856
John Blake Reed, Pawtucket, R. I.....	1857
George Francis Wilson, Providence, R. I.....	1858-59
William Sewell Gardner, Lowell, Mass.....	1860-61
Rev. Charles Henry Titus, Phoenix, R. I.....	1862-63
Thomas Arthur Doyle, Providence, R. I.....	1863-65

Deceased, 10; living, 20.

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

*Henry Fowle, Boston, Mass.....	1805-17
*John Carlile, Providence, R. I.....	1818-19
*Peter Grinnell, Providence, R. I.....	1820-24

* Deceased.

*John James Loring, Boston, Mass.....	1825-28
*Robert Lash, Boston, Mass.....	1829-30
*Jacob Amee, Boston, Mass.....	1831
*Edward Ass Raymond, Boston, Mass.....	1832
John Hews, Boston, Mass.....	1833-34
Gilbert Nurse, Boston, Mass.....	1835
Charles Whitlock Moore, Boston, Mass.....	1836
John Flint, M.D., Boston, Mass.....	1837-38
*John Barrett Hammatt, Boston, Mass.....	1839-41
*Ruel Baker, Boston, Mass.....	1842-44
James Salisbury, Providence, R. I.....	1845
John Rufus Bradford, Boston, Mass.....	1846
James Hutchinson, Providence, R. I.....	1847
Simon Wiggin Robinson, Lexington, Mass.....	1848-50
Daniel Harwood, M.D., Boston, Mass.....	1851-53
John McClellan, Boston, Mass.....	1854-55
*Cyrus Fisher, Providence, R. I.....	1856
Samuel Lewis, Providence, R. I.....	1857
Charles Robbins, Boston, Mass.....	1858-59
†Edwin Curtis Bailey, Boston, Mass.....	1860-61
William Sewall Gardner, Lowell, Mass.....	1862
William Wilson Baker, Boston, Mass.....	1863-65

Deceased, 10; living, 15.

PAST DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

*Henry Fowle, Boston, Mass.....	1818-19
*John Carlile, Providence, R. I.....	1820-24
*Peter Grinnell, Providence, R. I.....	1825-28
Josiah Whitaker, Providence, R. I.....	1829-30
*Robert Lash, Boston, Mass.....	1831
Thomas Power, Boston, Mass.....	1832
Abraham Annis Dame, Boston, Mass.....	1833-34
John Hews, Boston, Mass.....	1835-36
Charles Whitlock Moore, Boston, Mass.....	1837-38
John Flint, M.D., Boston, Mass.....	1839-41
*John Barrett Hammatt, Boston, Mass.....	1842-44
*Ruel Baker, Boston, Mass.....	1845-46
John Rufus Bradford, Boston, Mass.....	1847
James Hutchinson, Boston, Mass.....	1848-50
Simon Wiggin Robinson, Lexington, Mass.....	1851-53
Daniel Harwood, M.D., Boston, Mass.....	1854-55
John McClellan, Boston, Mass.....	1856-57
William Field, Providence, R. I.....	1858-59
William Ellison, Boston, Mass.....	1860-61
†Edwin Curtis Bailey, Boston, Mass.....	1862-63
Rev. Charles Henry Titus, Phenix, R. I.....	1863-65

Deceased, 6; living, 15.

PAST GRAND MASTERS.

*Thomas Smith Webb, Providence, R. I.....	1805-17
*William Wilkinson, Providence, R. I.....	1818-19
*Henry Fowle, Boston, Mass.....	1820-25
*John Carlile, Providence, R. I.....	1826-28
*John James Loring, Boston, Mass.....	1829-31
*Robert Lash, Boston, Mass.....	1832

† Expelled.

*Edward Asa Raymond, Boston, Mass.	1833-34
Abraham Annis Dame, Boston, Mass.	1835-36
John Hews, Boston, Mass.	1837-38
Charles Whitlock Moore, Boston, Mass.	1839-41
John Flint, M.D., Boston, Mass.	1842-44
*John Barrett Hammatt, Boston, Mass.	1845-46
*†Ruel Baker, Boston, Mass.	1847
John Rufus Bradford, Boston, Mass.	1848-50
James Hutchinson, Providence, R. I.	1851-53
Simon Wiggin Robinson, Lexington, Mass.	1854-55
Daniel Harwood, M.D., Boston, Mass.	1856-57
Winslow Lewis, M.D., Boston, Mass.	1858-59
William Field, Providence, R. I.	1860-61
William Ellison, Boston, Mass.	1862
William Sewall Gardner, Lowell, Mass.	1863

Deceased, 9; living, 12.

NEW YORK.

From its Formation 1814 to 1865, Inclusive.

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

John W. Mulligan	1814-16
Ezra Ames	1816-20
Jonathan Schieffelin	1820-23
William F. Piatt	1823-24
Matthew Talcott	1824-27
Ezra S. Cozier	1827-28
Orville Hungerford	1828-29
Adriel Ely	1829-30
Henry Brown Batavia	1830-31
Ebenezer Mix, Batavia	1831-34
Edward C. Ward, Brooklyn	1834-35
John Van Dine, do	1835-39
Jonathan Eights, Albany	1839-40
John O. Cole, Albany	1840-41
Robert R. Boyd, N. Y	1841-44
Joseph Pirsson, N. Y	1844-45
James Hegeman, Troy	1845-47
George L. Thatcher, Brooklyn	1847-50
John L. Lewis, Jr., Penn Yan	1850-51
Jarvis M. Hatch, Rochester	1851-53
John L. Lewis, Jr., Penn Yan	1853-54
George C. Sherman, Watertown	1854-55
LeRoy Farnham, Buffalo	1855-56
Peter Brewer, Utica	1856-57
Thomas C. Edwards, Elmira	1857-58
Zenae C. Priest, Utica	1858-59
Jonas T. Wilbur, Hornellsville	1859-60
William H. Burtis, Rochester	1860--
Pearson Mundy, Watertown	1862-63
Robert N. Brown, Buffalo	1863-64

† Died while in office as Grand Master.

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

Martin Hoffman	1814-16
John W. Mulligan	1816-18
Alexander S. Glass	1818-23
Estee Howe	1823-26
Jonathan Eights	1828-28
Ambrose L. Jordan	1827-30
Cyrus Curtis, Hudson	1830-34
Richard Ellis, N. Y.	1834-40
Ebenezer Mix, Batavia	1840-41
George B. Glendenning, Troy	1841-43
Robert R. Boyd, N. Y.	1843-44
John M. Garfield, Albany	1844-45
Richard Carrigue, Hudson	1845-47
George B. Glendenning, Brooklyn	1847-48
William E. Lathrop, Rochester	1848-51
John L. Lewis, Jr., Penn Yan	1851-53
Peter P. Murphy, Lockport	1853-55
George E. Sherman, Watertown	1855-56
LeRoy Farnham, Buffalo	1856-57
Charles G. Judd, Penn Yan	1857-58
William H. Drew, Buffalo	1858-59
Zenas C. Priest, Utica	1859-60
Orrin Welch, Syracuse	1860-..
William H. Burtis, Rochester	1862-63
Pearson Mundy, Watertown	1863-64

DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

Martin Hoffman	1816-19
Thomas Lowndes	1819-23
Elias Hicks	1823-24
Oliver M. Lowndes	1824-27
William F. Piatt	1827-28
Matthew Talcott	1828-29
James Herring	1829-34
Ezra S. Barnum, Utica	1834-35
John V. Greenfield, N. Y.	1835-40
Richard Ellis, N. Y.	1840-41
Joel G. Candee, Troy	1841-42
Archibald Bull, Troy	1842-44
Robert R. Boyd, N. Y.	1844-45
John M. Garfield, Albany	1845-47
James Hegeman, Troy	1847-50
W. E. Lathrop, Rochester	1850-51
Oscar Coles, N. Y.	1851-53
John W. Simmons, N. Y.	1853-55
Peter P. Murphy, Ogdensburg	1855-56
George C. Sherman, Watertown	1856-57
J. B. Yates Sommers, N. Y.	1857-58
Frank Chamberlain, Albany	1858-60
Zenas C. Priest, Utica	1860
Orrin Welch, Syracuse	1862
William H. Burtis, Rochester	1863-64

GRAND MASTERS.

DeWitt Clinton, Albany	1814-28
William F. Piatt	1828-29
Ezra S. Cozier, Utica	1829-34
James Herring, N. Y.	1834-35
Ezra S. Barnum, Utica	1835-40

Richard Ellis, N. Y.	1840-44
Archibald Bull, Troy	1844-45
Robert R. Boyd, N. Y.	1845-50
James Hegerman, Troy	1850-51
William E. Lathrop, Rochester	1851-55
John W. Simmons, N. Y.	1855-57
LeRoy Farnham, Buffalo	1857-58
Charles G. Judd, Penn Yan	1858-60
Frank Chamberlain, Albany	1860
Zenas C. Priest, Utica	1862-63
Orrin Welch, Syracuse	1863-65

VERMONT.

1825, Dormant Several Years—Complete Reorganization, 1853.

DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

Philip C. Tucker, Vergennes	1854-59
Gamaliel Washburn, Montpelier	1859-61
Nathan P. Bowman, I. Pond	1864-65
Lewis Emmons, H. Four Corners	1865-66

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

Barzillai Davenport	1854-59
John S. Webster, Winooski	1859-60
Wm. P. Russell, Middlebury	1860-62
Samuel S. Butler, E. Berkshire	1862-63
N. P. Bowman	1863-64
Samuel Brooks, Middlebury	1864-66

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

Johna. Doane, Burlington	1854-59
Wm. P. Russell, Middlebury	1859-60
Hiram Stevens, E. Berkshire	1860-62
N. P. Bowman, Island Pond	1862-63
Samuel Brooks, Middlebury	1863-64
Geo. L. Mason, Brookfield	1864-66
Louis Follett, Burlington	1865-66

GRAND MASTERS.

Daniel L. Potter, Middlebury*	1854-58
Brazillai Davenport, Brandon	1859-60
John S. Webster, Winooski	1860-61
Gamaliel Washburn, Montpelier	1861-63
Horatio Needham, Bristol	1863-64
Samuel S. Butler, E. Berkshire	1864-65
George M. Hall, Swanton	1855

VIRGINIA.

1826, *Soon Irregular Until Jan. 22, 1851.*

GRAND MASTERS.

Charles A. Grice, Portsmouth.....	1838-39
John Pollard, Petersburgh.....	1839-40
(No elections until 1845—re-organization.)	
Charles A. Grice.....	1845-46-49
Edward H. Gill, Lynchburg.....	1854-60

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Active from 1826 to 1841—Dormant Again Until Reorganized Aug. 22, 1859.

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

Jared J. Williams, Lancaster.....	1860-62
Chales Tufts, Dover.....	1862-63
Lyman A. Walker, Concord.....	1863-64
Isaac C. Flanders, Manchester.....	1864-65

GRAND GENERALISIMOS.

Albert R. Hatch, Portsmouth.....	1860-62
John S. Kidder, Manchester.....	1862-63
Charles A. Tufts, Dover.....	1863-64
John H. George, Concord.....	1864-65

DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDERS.

Edward H. Rollins, Concord.....	1860-62
Josiah Stevens, Jr., Concord.....	1862-63
John S. Kidder.....	1863-64
Charles A. Tufts.....	1864-65

GRAND COMMANDERS.

Daniel Balch, Manchester.....	1860-62
Albert R. Hatch.....	1862-64
John S. Kidder.....	1864-65

CONNECTICUT.

Sept. 13, 1827.

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

Nahum Flagg, N. Haven.....	1844-45
George Giddings, Hartford.....	1845-47
George Shumway, N. Haven.....	1847-49

James H. Ashmead, Hartford.....	1849-50
Francois Turner, N. Haven.....	1850-51
William E. Sanford, N. Haven.....	1851-53
John A. McLean, Norwalk.....	1853-55
George F. Daskam, Norwalk.....	1855-57
William Hyde, Stonington.....	1857-58
Asa Smith, Norwalk.....	1858-59
David Clark, Hartford.....	1859-60
Wm. L. Brewer, Norwich.....	1860-61
Wm. R. Higby, Bridgeport.....	1861-62
Frederick J. Calhoun, N. Haven.....	1862-63
John W. Paul, Waterbury.....	1863-64
Stiles D. Sperry, Hartford.....	1864-65
Amos S. Treat, Bridgeport.....	1865-66

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

C. H. Storer	1844-45
Nahum Flagg, New Haven	1845-47
Horace Goodwin, Hartford	1847-49
George Shumway, New Haven	1849-51
Benjamin Beecher, do	1851-53
Cyrus Goodell	1853-55
John A. McLean	1855-57
George F. Daskam	1857-58
William Hyde	1858-59
Howard R. Ensign	1859-60
David Clark	1860-61
William L. Brewer	1861-62
Wm. R. Higby	1862-63
Fred. J. Calhoun	1863-64
John W. Paul, Waterbury	1864-65
Stiles D. Sperry, Hartford	1865-66

DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

William H. Ellis, New Haven	1844-45
Eliphalet G. Storer, New Haven	1845-47
George Giddings, Hartford	1847-49
Horace Goodwin, Hartford	1849-51
Francois Turner, New Haven	1851-53
William E. Sanford	1853-55
Cyrus Goodell	1855-57
John A. McLean	1857-58
George F. Daskam	1858-59
William E. Hyde	1859-60
Howard B. Ensign	1860-61
David Clark	1861-62
William L. Brewer	1862-63
William R. Higby	1863-64
Fred. J. Calhoun	1864-65
John W. Paul, Waterbury	1865-66

GRAND MASTERS.

William H. Jones, New Haven	1844-45
William H. Ellis, do	1845-47
Eliphalet G. Storer, do	1847-49
George Giddings, Hartford	1849-51
Horace Goodwin, do	1851-53
Benjamin Beecher, New Haven	1853-55
William E. Sanford, do	1855-57

Cyrus Goodell, Hartford.....	1857-58
John A. McLean, Norwalk.....	1858-59
George F. Daskam, Norwalk.....	1859-60
William Hyde, Stonington.....	1860-61
Howard B. Ensign.....	1861-62
David Clark, Hartford.....	1862-63
William L. Brewer.....	1863-64
William R. Higby.....	1864-65
Fred. J. Calhoun, New Haven.....	1865-66

OHIO.

October, 24, 1843.

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

Jonathan N. Burr, Mt. Vernon	1843-44
Isaac Davis, Mt. Vernon	1844-45
John W. Milligan, Columbus.....	1845-46
Isaac C. Copelan, Cincinnati.....	1846-47
Fordyce M. Keith, Massillon.....	1847-48
William B. Thrall, Circleville.....	1848-49
Kent, Jarvis, Massillon	1849-50
Edwin Smith, Dayton	1850-51
Jonathan N. Burr, Mt. Vernon	1851-52
William B. Dodds, Cincinnati	1852-53
John H. Achey, Dayton	1853-54
R. W. Denning, Chillicothe	1854-55
Platt Benedict, Norwalk	1855-56
Richard Creighton, Cleveland.....	1856-57
Jonas Ward, Piqua	1857-58
Francis Cleveland, Portsmouth.....	1858-59
George Webster, Steubenville	1859-61
Heman Ely, Elyria	1861-63
Charles Brown, Cincinnati	1863-64
Edgar B. Hyde, Toledo.....	1864-66

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

Isaac C. Copelan, Cincinnati	1843-45
Jonathan N. Burr, Mt. Vernon	1845-48
Kent Jarvis, Massillon	1848-49
J. S. Atwood, Chillicothe	1849-50
George L. Shinnick, Zanesville	1850-51
R. H. Cotton, Zanesville	1851-53
Benjamin F. Smith, Mt. Vernon	1853-54
George W. True, Mt. Vernon	1854-56
John H. Achey, Dayton	1856-57
Richard Creighton, Cleveland	1857-63
Charles Kiefer, Dayton	1863-65

DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

George D. Hine, Massillon	1843-45
John L. Vattier, Cincinnati	1845-48
Rev. William H. Raper, Dayton	1848-49
Thomas Bell, Zanesville	1849-50

C. F. Hanselmann, Cincinnati.....	1850-51
Kent Jarvis, Massillon.....	1851-52
John S. Atwood, Chillicothe	1852-53
Thomas Orr, do	1853-54
Benjamin F. Smith, Mt. Vernon	1854-56
George W. True, Mt. Vernon	1854-57
John H. Achey, Dayton	1857-58
Kent Jarvis, Massillon.....	1858-59
Thomas Sparrow, Columbus.....	1859-62
Sanford L. Collins, Toledo.....	1862-63
Heman Ely, Elyria	1863-64
Charles Brown, Cincinnati.....	1864-66

GRAND MASTERS.

Michael Z. Kreider, Lancaster.....	1843-45
Bela Latham, Columbus.....	1840-48
John L. Vattier, Cincinnati	1848-50
William B. Thrall, Columbus	1850-51
Christopher F. Hanselman, Cincinnati.....	1851-58
John H. Achey, Dayton	1858-59
Kent Jarvis, Massillon.....	1859-64
Heman Ely, Elyria	1864-66

KENTUCKY.

Oct. 5, 1847.

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

John F. Leavy.....	1847-49
Boone Railey, Versailles.....	1849-50
S. F. J. Trabue.....	1850-51
Jacob Owen, Louisville.....	1851-52
Wm. C. Keas, Mt. Sterling.....	1852-54
D. J. Ayres, Lexington.....	1855-56
Dr. Theo. N. Wise, Covington.....	1856-57
J. K. Goodloe.....	1857-58
Frank Tryon.....	1858-59
Thomas Todd.....	1859-60
L. C. Steadman, Georgetown.....	1860-61
John Clark, Georgetown.....	1861-62
D. F. Wolf, Lexington.....	1862-63
John L. Anderson, Louisville.....	1865-66

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

Joseph A. Peters.....	1847-49
David S. Goodloe, Lexington.....	1849-50
Boone Railey, Versailles	1850-51
E. H. Field.....	1851-52
James L. Allen, Lexington.....	1852-53
Charles A. Fuller, Louisville.....	1853-54
T. U. Kinkead, Versailles.....	1854-55
Richard Apperson.....	1855-56
D. J. Ayres.....	1856-57
S. F. Gano, Georgetown.....	1857-58
Henry R. Orr.....	1858-59
Wm. C. Munger, Louisville.....	1859-61
George C. Bain, Woodford.....	1861-62
Peter H. Jeffries, Newport.....	1862-63
John T. East, Covington.....	1865-66

DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

Nathaniel Hardy	1847-49
Solomon K. Grant	1849-50
David S. Goodloe, Lexington	1850-51
Boone Railey	1851-52
Jacob Owen	1852-53
Wm. C. Chipley	1853-54
John H. Howe	1854-55
C. J. Sanders	1855-56
Richard Apperson	1856-57
Dr. T. N. Wise, Covington	1857-58
S. F. Gano, Georgetown	1858-59
Henry R. Orr	1859-60
Frank Tryon	1860-61
L. C. Steadman, Georgetown	1861-62
Wm. M. Samuels, Paris	1862-63
Charles R. Woodruff, Louisville	1865-66

GRAND MASTERS.

Henry Wingate, Frankfort	1847-49
Joseph A. Peters	1849-50
Solomon K. Grant*	1850-51
David S. Goodloe	1851-52
Boone Railey, Versailles	1852-53
Jacob Owen, Louisville	1853-54
Wm. C. Keas, Mt. Sterling	1854-55
Thomas N. Kinkead, Versailles	1855-56
Caleb J. Sanders, Lexington	1856-57
D. J. Ayres, Lexington	1857-58
Dr. T. N. Wise, Covington	1858-59
S. F. Gano	1859-60
Henry R. Orr, Paris	1860-61
Wm. C. Munger	1861-62
L. C. Steadman, Georgetown	1862
Peter H. Jeffries, Newport	1864-65
Hezekiah H. Culbertson, Versailles	1865-66

MAINE.

May 5, 1852.

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

John Williams, Bangor	1852-55
E. A. Chadwick, Gardiner	1855-56
Abner B. Thompson, Brunswick	1856-58
Timothy J. Murray, Saco	1858-60
Moses Dodge, Portland	1860-62
Jabez True, Bangor	1862-63
David Bugbee, Bangor	1863-64
James M. Larabee	1864-66

*Died 1851.

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

Freeman Bradford, Portland.....	1852-55
John Williams, Bangor	1855-58
Abner B. Thompson, Brunswick.....	1858-60
Timothy J. Murray, Saco.....	1860-62
Moses Dodge, Portland.....	1862-64
David Bugbee, Bangor.....	1864-66

DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

Joseph C. Stevens, Bangor.....	1852-55
Freeman Bradford, Portland.....	1855-58
John Williams, Bangor	1858-60
Abner B. Thompson, Brunswick.....	1860-62
Timothy J. Murray, Portland	1862-64
Moses Dodge, Portland.....	1864-66

GRAND MASTERS.

Charles B. Smith, Portland.....	1852-55
Joseph C. Stevens, Bangor.....	1855-58
Freeman Bradford, Portland.....	1858-60
John Williams, Bangor	1860-62
Abner B. Thompson, Brunswick.....	1862-64
Timothy J. Murray, Portland.....	1864-66

PENNSYLVANIA.

April 12, 1854.

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

Andrew Patrick	1854-56
H. H. Frisbie, Washington.....	1856-57
C. F. Knapp, Bloomsburg	1857-58
John A. Wright, Lewistown	1858-59
Jeremiah L. Hutchinson, Philadelphia.....	1859-60
Edmund H. Turner, Altoona	1860-61
H. D. Lowe, Reading	1861-62
William Chatland, Brownsville.....	1862-64
Chas. A. Bannvart, Harrisburg	1864-66

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

John Bierrer, Uniontown.....	1854-55
Andrew H. Tipping, Pottstown	1856-57
J. L. Gore, Carbondale.....	1857-58
Christian F. Knapp, Bloomsburg.....	1858-59
John A. Wright, Lewistown	1860-61
Edmund H. Turner, Altoona	1861-62
Jeremiah L. Hutchinson, Philadelphia.....	1862-63
Robert Pitcairn, Altoona.....	1863-65
Charles A. Bannvart, Harrisburg.....	1865-66

DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDERS.

J. B. Musser, Washington.....	1854-56
Benjamin Parks, Harrisburg.....	1856-57
A. Jordan Swartz, Reading.....	1857-58
William H. Allen, Philadelphia.....	1858-60
John A. Wright, Lewistown.....	1860-61
Edmund H. Turner, Altoona.....	1861-62
Jeremiah L. Hutchinson, Philadelphia.....	1862-63
Isaac Whittier, Pittsburgh.....	1863-64
William H. Strickland, Reading.....	1864-65
Robert Pitcairn, Pittsburgh.....	1865-66

GRAND COMMANDERS.

W. W. Wilson, Pittsburgh.....	1854-57
(1857. Union took place of two Grand bodies—one under Gr. Enc. U. S., the other under Gr. Lodge of Pennsylvania.)	
W. W. Wilson, Pittsburgh.....	1857-58
A. Jordan Swartz, Reading.....	1858-59
William Henry Allen.....	1859-60
Christian F. Knapp, Bloomsburg.....	1860-61
John A. Wright, Lewistown.....	1861-62
Edmund H. Turner, Altoona.....	1862-63
H. Stanley Goodwin, Harrisburg.....	1863-66

INDIANA.

May 16, 1854.

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

Solomon D. Bayless, Ft. Wayne.....	May to Dec. 1854.
Loring R. Brownell, Indianapolis.....	1854-57
Martin Frybarger.....	1857-58
Wm. Hacker, Shelbyville.....	1858
Harvey G. Hazelrigg, Thorntown.....	1860-61
Lawrence B. Stockton, Lafayette.....	1862-63
Austin W. Claypool, Connersville.....	1863-64
Ephraim Colestock, Indianapolis.....	1864-65
D. P. Whedon, Lafayette.....	1865-66

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

John L. Scobey.....	May, 1854.
Sol. D. Bayless, Ft. Wayne.....	Dec. 1854-56
Wm. Pelan, Connersville.....	1858
John A. Hutton, N. Albany.....	1860-62
Ephraim Colestock, Indianapolis.....	1862-63
Harvey G. Hazelrigg, Thorntown.....	1863-64
Thos. Newby, Cambridge City.....	1864-66

DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDERS.

William Sheets.....	May, 1854.
Wm. Hacker, Shelbyville.....	1854-57
Geo. W. Porter, N. Albany.....	1857
Rev. John W. Sullivan, Jeffersonville.....	1860-63
Wm. Hacker, Shelbyville.....	1863-64
H. G. Hazelrigg, Lebanon.....	1864-66

GRAND COMMANDERS.

Henry C. Lawrence, Lafayette.....	1854-57
Ephraim Colesock, Indianapolis.....	1857-58
Geo. W. Porter, N. Albany	1858-60
Sol. D. Bayless, Ft. Wayne.....	1860-64
Wm. Hacker, Shelbyville	1864-66

TEXAS.

Formed, Galveston, Jan. 19, 1855.

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

E. W. Taylor, Houston.....	1855
James Sorley, Galveston.....	1855
J. J. McBride, Navarro.....	1856-58
Ed. Clark, Austin.....	1858-59
A. F. Case, Anderson.....	1859-60
E. H. Cushing, Houston.....	1860-61

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

Wm. M. Taylor, Crockett	1855
E. W. Taylor, Houston.....	1855-56
James M. Hall, Crockett	1856-57
F. L. Barziza, Wheelock.....	1857-58
Ed. Clark, Austin	1858-61

DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

A. S. Bulpvan, Houston.....	1855
Wm. M. Taylor, Crockett.....	1855-56
E. W. Taylor, Houston.....	1856-57
James Sorley, Galveston	1857-58
F. L. Barziza, Wheelock.....	1858-59
J. J. McBride, Navarro.....	1859-60
Ed. Clark, Austin	1860-61

GRAND MASTERS.

Samuel M. Williams, Galveston	1855
A. S. Bulpvan, Houston	1855-56
Wm. M. Taylor, Crockett	1856-57
E. W. Taylor, Houston.....	1857-58
James Sorley, Galveston	1858-59
Geo. M. Patrick, Anderson	1859-60
J. J. McBride, Navarro	1860-61

MISSISSIPPI.

Jan. 22, 1857.

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

Benj. S. Tappan, Vicksburg	1857-58
Harvey W. Walter, Holly Springs.....	1858-59

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

W. H. Dyson, Lexington.....	1857-58
Jacob F. Fonte	1858-59

MISSISSIPPI GRAND COMMANDERY.

DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDERS.

Thomas Palmer Jackson	1857-58
Giles M. Hillyer	1858-59

GRAND COMMANDERS.

William H. Stevens, Vicksburg	1857-58
Dr. George P. Crump (died 1860)	1858-59
Giles M. Hillyer	1859-60
Harvey W. Walter, Holly Springs	1860-61
Benj. S. Tappan, Vicksburg	1861-62

MICHIGAN GRAND COMMANDERY.

(Detroit, 15th Jan., 1857.)

CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

James Danah, Monroe	1857-58
T. A. Flower, Pontiac	1858
Rev. D. B. Tracey, N. Baltimore	1861-62
Benjamin Porter, jun., Jackson	1862-63
Wm. F. King, Adrian	1865-66

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

Wm. P. Innes, Grand Rapids	1857-58
Frank Darrow, Pontiac	1858-59
Luman R. Atwater, Grand Rapids	1861-62
Rev. D. B. Tracey, Petersburg	1862-63
Edward D. Benedict, Grand Rapids	1865-66

DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDERS.

Elias D. Cone, Hilldale	1857-58
Wm. P. Innes, Grand Rapids	1858-59
John Clark, St. Clair	1861-62
L. R. Atwater, Grand Rapids	1862-63
Seaman L. Darst, Coldwater	1865-66

GRAND COMMANDERS.

John Gilbert, jun., Detroit	1857-58
Nathan P. Jacobs, Detroit	1858-60
Wm. P. Innes, Grand Rapids	1860-61
Frank Darrow, Pontiac	1861-62
John Clark, St. Clair	1862-63
Luman R. Atwater, Grand Rapids	1863-64
G. B. Noble, Detroit	1865-66

ILLINOIS GRAND COMMANDERY.

(Chicago, 27th Oct. 1857.)

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

Hosmer A. Johnson, Chicago	1857-59
Frank K. Hulburd, Morris	1859-60
Wm. H. Turner, Chicago	1860-61
DeWitt Clinton Martin, Alton	1861-62
Nathan Fay Prentice, Freeport	1862-63
P. A. Armstrong, Morris	1863-64
George C. Lamphere, Galesburg	1864

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

Benj. F. Barres	1857-59
Nelson D. Elwood, Joliet	1859-60
Frank Kellogg Hulburd, Morris	1860-61
Wm. Harbron Turner, Chicago	1861-62
J. H. Hibbard, Alton	1862-63
N. F. Prentice, Freeport	1863-64
Vincent L. Hurlbut, Chicago	1864-65

DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDERS.

Clark B. Stebbins	1857-58
Josiah Hunt	1858-59
Hosmer A. Johnson, Chicago	1859-60
Nelson D. Elwood, Joliet	1860-61
Frank K. Hulburd, Morris	1861-62
William H. Turner, Chicago	1862-63
J. H. Hibbard, Alton	1863-64
Perry A. Armstrong, Morris	1864-65

GRAND COMMANDERS.

James V. Z. Blaney	1857-59
Josiah Hunt	1859-60
Hosmer Allen Johnson	1860-62
George Waite Deering, Chicago	1862-63
Wm. H. Turner, Chicago	1863-64
Nathan Fay Prentice, Freeport	1864-65

CALIFORNIA GRAND COMMANDERY.

(August 10th, 1858.)

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

Stillman H. Fickett	1858-59
Charles Marsh, Nevada	1859-60
Henry Hare Hartley	1860-61
Isaac S. Titus	1861-62
James Horace Culver	1862-63

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

John S. Graham.....	1858-60
Aaron D. Park.....	1860-61
Henry H. Hartley.....	1861-62
Isaac S. Titus.....	1862-63

DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDERS.

Leander Ransom.....	1858-59
James Lawrence English.....	1859-60
Charles Marsh.....	1861-62
Henry H. Hartley.....	1862-63

GRAND COMMANDERS.

Isaac Davis.....	1858-59
Leander Ransom.....	1859-60
James L. English.....	1860-61
Alexander G. Abell.....	1861-62
Charles Marsh.....	1862-63

WISCONSIN GRAND COMMANDERY.

(October 20th, 1859.)

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

Henry S. Baird, Green Bay.....	1859-60
Barnabas B. Eldridge, Janesville.....	1861-62
Alvin B. Alden.....	1862-63

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

Henry M. Billings, Highland.....	1859-60
George Hyer, Madison.....	1861-62
David H. Wright.....	1862-63

DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDER.

Erastus Lewis, Janesville.....	1859-63
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GRAND COMMANDER.

Henry L. Palmer, Milwaukee.....	1859-65
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TENNESSEE GRAND COMMANDERY.

(October 12th, 1859.)

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

Massalon Whitton, Yorkville.....	1859-60
John Frizzell, Winchester.....	1860-61

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

Lucius J. Polk, Ashwood.....	1859-60
Oliver K. Donohue, Memphis.....	1860-61

DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDER.

Amasa S. Underwood, Yorkville.....	1859-61
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GRAND COMMANDERS.

Charles Arnold Fuller, Nashville.....	1859-60
Lucius J. Polk, Ashwood.....	1860-61

NEW JERSEY GRAND COMMANDERY.

(February 14th, 1860.)

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

George B. Edwards, Bergen.....	1859-60
Isreal S. Buckalew, Jamesburg.....	1860-62
A. G. Gilkyson, Jersey City.....	1862-63
Samuel Stevens, Bergen.....	1863-64
Elwood Conner, Burlington.....	1864-65

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

W. W. Goodwin.....	1859-60
George B. Edwards.....	1860-61
Samuel Fort, Burlington.....	1861-62
J. S. Buckalew.....	1862-63
A. G. Gilkyson.....	1863-64
Charles Bechtel, Trenton.....	1864-65

DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDER.

John Hilton.....	1859-60
Dr. Thomas J. Corson.....	1860-61
George B. Edwards.....	1861-62
Samuel Fort.....	1862
Rev. G. P. Shelky, Mount Holly.....	1864-65

GRAND COMMANDERS.

Theophilus Fiske.....	1859-60
John Hilton.....	1860-61
Dr. Thomas J. Corson.....	1861-62
George B. Edwards.....	1862-63
Charles G. Milner.....	1863-64
Samuel Stevens.....	1864-65

GEORGIA GRAND COMMANDERY.
(April 25th, 1860.)

MISSOURI GRAND COMMANDERY.
(May 22d, 1860.)

GRAND CAPTAINS-GENERAL.

Henry Flynt, Lexington.....	1860-61
J. W. Crane, St. Louis.....	1861-62
W. A. Cunningham, St. Joseph.....	1863-64
James F. Aglar, St. Louis.....	1865-66

GRAND GENERALISSIMOS.

J. W. Crane, St. Louis.....	1860-61
Jacob C. Reinhard, Lexington.....	1861-62
W. N. Loken, St. Louis.....	1863-64
Josiah Hunt.....	1865-66

DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDERS.

Robert M. Henderson, Lexington.....	1860-61
William H. Penick, St. Joseph.....	1861-62
B. M. Runyan, St. Louis.....	1863-64
George Frank Gouley, St. Louis.....	1865-66

GRAND COMMANDERS.

George W. Belt, Weston.....	1860-64
Thomas M. Wannell, St. Louis.....	1865-66

ALABAMA.

1860—Dec. 1.

Grand Capt. General	Peleg Brown, Mobile.
Gr. Geno.	James B. Harrison, Selma.
Dep. Gr. Com.	Sterling A. M. Wood, Florence.
Gr. Commander	Richd. F. Knott, Mobile.

Organized Grand Commandery, Dec. 1, 1860.

LOUISIANA.

Organized February 4, 1864.

GRAND CAPTAIN GENERAL.

Willis P. Coleman, New Orleans.....	1864-66
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GRAND GENERALISSIMO.

Fulgence Ricau, New Orleans 1864-66

DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDERS.

John Q. A. Fellows, New Orleans 1864-65
 Samuel Manning Todd, New Orleans 1865-66

GRAND COMMANDERS.

Henry Rufus Swasey, New Orleans 1864-65
 John Q. A. Fellows, New Orleans 1865-66

IOWA.

Organized June 6, 1864.

Gr. Capt. Genl.—Horace Tuttle, Dubuque	1864
Gr. Geno —James R. Hartsock, Iowa City	1864
Dep. Gr. Comdr —Edward A. Guilbert, Dubuque	1864
Grand Comdr.—Theodore S. Parvin, Iowa City	1864

SUBORDINATE ENCAMPMENTS.

Organized under Authority of the Grand Encampment of the U. S., or recognized by it, since its formation, on first day of June, 1816.

OHIO.

Mount Vernon, at Worthington, June, 1818. Chartered Sept. 1, 1819, re-organized, 1841.

Miami, at Lebanon, March 4, 1826.

Lancaster, at Lancaster, 1835.

Cincinnati, at Cincinnati, November, 1839—1841.

Massillon, at Massillon, July 5, 1843—1844.

Clinton, at Mt. Vernon, July 22, 1843—1844.

Grand Encampment of Ohio, organized at Lancaster, O., Oct. 24, 1843.

Mt. Vernon Encampment, No. 1, now at Columbus, O.

CONNECTICUT.

Recognized Encampment at Colechester, September, 1819.

New Haven, at New Haven, disp. Nov. 5, chartered, Sept., 1826.

Grand Encampment of Connecticut, organized Sept. 13, 1827.

VERMONT.

Vermont, at Windsor, chartered Feb. 23, 1821.
 Green Mountain, at Rutland, March 12, 1823
 Mt. Calvary, at Middlebury, Feb. 20, 1824; revived in 1850.
 Burlington, at Burlington, June 28, 1849; Sept. 17, 1850.
 Lafayette, at Berkshire, revived Nov. 9, 1850.
 State Grand Encampment, formed Aug. 14, 1851.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Fayetteville, at Fayetteville, Dec. 21, 1821. Dormant several years; charter lost by fire. In 1850, authorized to resume labor at Wilmington and Fayetteville.
 State Grand Encampment formed.

VIRGINIA.

Richmond, at Richmond, May 5, 1823.
 Warren, at Harper's Ferry, July, 4, 1824. (Recognized.)
 Winchester, at Winchester, July 4, 1824. (Recognized.)
 Wheeling, at Wheeling, 1838.
 Grand Encampment of Virginia represented in Grand Encampment of the U. S. in 1826. Soon extinct. Formed new Grand Encampment in 1845, without approval of Grand Encampment U. S.; and the above Encampments, except Wheeling, were erased from register of Grand Encampment U. S. 1847, Grand Encampment of Virginia relinquished her allegiance. On 22d Jan., 1851, Virginia again united with Grand Encampment U. S., but seceded again in 1861.

GEORGIA.

Georgia, at Augusta, May 5, 1823.
 St. Omer, at Macon, 26 July, and Sept., 1848.
 St. Aldemar, at Columbus, Dec., 1857; Jan. 24, 1860.
 Comy. Cœur de Lion, at Atlanta, May 14, 1859; Sept. 17, 1859.
 Grand Encampment formed, April 25, 1860.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Trinity, at Hanover, March 24, 1824. Rechartered, Sept. 19, 1853, at Manchester.
 De Witt Clinton, at Portsmouth, Jan., 1826.
 Mt. Horeb, at Hopkinton, May 1, 1826.
 North Star, at Lancaster, May 2, 1857; Sept., 1859.
 St. Paul's, at Dover, Nov. 7, 1857; Sept. 16, 1859.
 Mt. Horeb, at Concord, May 31, 1859.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Washington, at Washington, Jan. 14, 1825 Revived, 1847.
 Columbia, at Washington, Dec. 8, 1862. Chartered Sept., 1865.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Lafayette, at Georgetown, March, 1825.
 Columbia, at Columbia, Jan. 24, 1824. (Recognized.)
 South Carolina, at Charleston, Sept. 23, 1823. Charter lost by fire. Disp.
 May, 17, 1843. Ch. 1844. (Recognized.)
 Gr. Enc. of S. C. was represented in Gr. Enc. U. S. 1826.

KENTUCKY.

Webb, at Lexington, Jan. 1, 1826. Revived, 1841.
 Louisville, at Louisville, Jan. 2, 1840—1841.
 Versailles, at Versailles, April 26, 1842—1844.
 Frankfort, at Frankfort. April, 1844—1847.
 Montgomery, at Mt. Sterling, 1844—1847.

LOUISIANA.

Invincibles, at New Orleans, 1828.
 Indivisible Friends, at New Orleans—jurisdiction from N. Y., 1838. Revived, 1844. (This Enc. was chartered by Gr. Enc. New York, in May, 1816, before organization of the Gr. Enc. U. S.)
 Jacques De Molay, at New Orleans, April 15, 1850; April 25, 1851.
 Orleans, at New Orleans, May 19, 1860; Sept. 4, 1862.
 Grand Commandery of Louisiana, formed Feb., 1864.

MARYLAND.

Maryland, at Baltimore. (Revived, 1848.)
 Baltimore, at Baltimore, June 17, 1859; Sept. 16, 1859.

TEXAS.

San Felipe de Austin, at Galveston (then a State of the Republic of Mexico), 1835.
 Ruthven, at Houston, Feb. 2, 1848; Sept. 17, 1853.
 Palestine, at Palestine, May 16, 1853; Sept. 20, 1853.
 Grand Enc. formed Jan. 19, 1855.

ALABAMA.

(There was a Barker Enc. in Alabama in 1829.)
 Marion, at Marion, 1844.
 Washington, at Marion (perhaps same), 1846.
 Barker, at Claiborne, chartered 1847.
 Mobile, at Mobile, April 7, 1848; March 18, 1851.
 Tuscumbia, at Tuscumbia, Aug. 1, 1848; Oct. 12, 1850.
 Montgomery, at Montgomery, Oct. 17, 1850; Sept. 19, 1853.
 Selma, at Selma, May 13, 1858; Sept. 16, 1859.
 State Grand Commandery, formed Nov. 29, 1860. 1st election, Dec. 1, 1860.

MISSISSIPPI.

Mississippi, at Jackson, July 5, 1844. —, 1844.
 Magnolia, at Vicksburgh, Oct. 2, 1850; Jan. 4, 1854.
 Lexington, at Lexington, July 22, 1856; Sept. 11, 1856.
 State Grand Commandery, formed Jan. 22, 1857.

MAINE.

Portland, at Portland, 1845—1847.
 Maine, at Portland.
 St. John's, at Bangor, Feb. 18, 1850; Sept. 17, 1850.
 State Grand Commandery, organized May 5, 1852.

PENNSYLVANIA.

As early as May 12th, 1797, a Gr. Enc. of Knight Templars of Pa. was formed.
 1812, Dec. 27th—Encampment No. 1 and 2; originally under its constitution organized as No. 1.
 1814, Feb. 15 and 16—Delegates attended at Philadelphia, hoping to establish a governing body of Templars for the United States. The Encampments in the eastern States not favoring the basis in Pennsylvania, which was to have the encampments under subordination to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, did not unite in the Philadelphia movement, but subsequently organized the Gen. Gr. Enc. U. S. Some delegates from Encampments in Pennsylvania, New York, Delaware and Maryland organized Gr. Enc. of Pennsylvania.
 In April, 1814, Charters were issued by the Pennsylvania organization to Rising Sun Enc., at New York; to No. 1, at Philadelphia; to No. 2, at Pittsburg. 2d of May, at Baltimore, Maryland, No. 3, 16th Feb. 1816, at Philadelphia, 9th June 1819, and No. 4, at Philadelphia. This Gr. Enc. became dormant.
 In 1826, DeWitt Clinton, for Gr. Enc. U. S., issued a Disp. to Enc. at Harrisburgh.
 July 26th, 1826—Enc. at Elmira, N. Y., divided itself and granted authority to Towanda Encampment at Bradford, Pa., (the Pennsylvania record of which is,) "We were in union with them, as a branch, so long as they proceeded agreeable to ancient usages to confer the Order of K. Templar, Knights of Malta, and of the Mediterranean Pass and of the Red Cross."
 The following were chartered by G. Enc. U. S:
 Pittsburgh, at Pittsburgh, May 13, 1847.
 Jaques DeMolay, Washington, Sept. 12, 1849, Oct. 24, 1850.
 St. Omers, Uniontown, chartered Nov. 17, 1853.
 Hubbard, Waynesburgh, Nov. 10, 1851, re-organized 5th Dec., 1853, chartered Sept. 1856.
 A State Grand Commandery was organized April 12, 1854. On the 12th Feb., 1857, (by a two-thirds vote of fifteen Commanderys) union of it with the Gr. Enc. under Gr. Lodge of Pennsylvania.

TENNESSEE.

Disp. by W. G. Hunt, Jan. 1829—efforts to reinstate in 1842.
 Nashville, at Nashville, new Disp. 1844.
 Yorkville, at Yorkville, July 10, 1857, Sep. 17, 1859.
 DeMolay, at Columbia, Dec. 19, 1858, Sept. 16, 1859.
 Cyrene, at Memphis, March 27, 1859, Sept. 16, 1859.
 Tennessee Grand Commandery organized Oct. 12, 1859.

ILLINOIS.

Appollo, at Chicago, 1845, chartered 1847.
 Belvidere, at Alton, March 25, 1853, Nov. 1, 1853.
 Central, at Decatur, July and October, 1856.
 Peoria, at Peoria, July 25, 1856, Sept. 15, 1856.
 Freeport, at Freeport, June 10, 1857, Sept. 16, 1859.
 Grand Commandery of Illinois organized Oct. 27, 1857.

MISSOURI.

St. Louis, at St. Louis, chartered 1847.
 Weston, at Weston, March 4, 1853, Sept. 19, 1853.
 Lexington, at Lexington, Sept. 30, 1853, Sept. 10, 1856.
 St. Joseph at St. Joseph, Nov. 9, 1859.
 Grand Commandery of Missouri organized May 22, 1860.

MICHIGAN.

Detroit, at Detroit, Nov. 1, 1850, Sept. 19, 1853.
 Pontiac, at Pontiac, March 25, 1852, Oct. 7, 1853.
 Eureka, at Hillsdale, Feb. 13, 1854, Sept. 10, 1856.
 Peninsula, at Kalamazoo, March 3, 1856, Sept. 10, 1856.
 Monroe, at Monroe, March 29, 1856, Sept. 12, 1856.
 DeMolay at Grand Rapids, May 9, 1856, Sept. 10, 1856.
 Grand Commandery Michigan organized Jan. 15, 1857, election April 7, 1857.
 Peninsular Commandery united with it in 1859.

WISCONSIN.

Wisconsin, at Milwaukee, June 12, 1850, Oct. 28, 1851.
 Janesville, at Janesville, June 24, 1856, Sept. 11, 1856.
 Robert Macoy, at Madison, Jan. 29, 1859, Sept. 16, 1859.
 Grand Commandery organized Oct. 20, 1859.

FLORIDA.

DeMolay, at Quincy, March 17, 1851, continued to 1853.
 Hall burned down 31st Dec., 1851, Disp. to hold at Tallahassee.

IOWA.

DeMolay, at Muscatine, March 14, 1855, Sept. 10, 1856.
 Palestine, at Iowa City, chartered Sept. 15, 1856.
 Siloam, at Dubuque, Feb. 9, 1857, Sept. 16, 1859.
 Des Moines, at Des Moines, July 10, 1857.
 DeMolay was represented 1860 in Gr. Enc. U. S. by Theo. S. Parvin.
 Grand Commandery of Iowa organized June 6, 1864.

CALIFORNIA.

San Francisco at San Francisco, Nov. 10, 1852, Nov. 1, 1853.
 Sacramento, at Sacramento, May 23, 1853, Feb. 6, 1854.
 Pacific, at Columbia, Feb. 20, 1856, Sept. 10, 1856.
 Grand Commandery of California organized Aug. 10, 1858.

ARKANSAS.

Hugh de Payens, at Little Rock, Dec. 20, 1853, Sept. 10, 1856. Represented in Gr. Enc. 1860, by Em. Com. L. E. Baber. In 1865, by Gr. Master B. B. French, proxy for Albert Pike and E. H. English.

MINNESOTA.

Damascus, at St. Paul, July 12, 1856, Sept. 10, 1856.
Mankato, at Mankato, Sept. 1865.
Minneapolis, at Minneapolis, Sept. 1865.

INDIANA.

Raper, at Indianapolis, May 14, 1848, Oct. 16, 1850.
Greensburg, at Greensburg, Jan. 25, 1851, Sept. 19, 1853.
Lafayette, at Lafayette, April 2, 1852, Sept. 19, 1853.
Fort Wayne, at Fort Wayne, May 13, 1853, Sept. 19, 1853.
State Grand Encampment formed May 16, 1854.

NEW JERSEY.

Hugh de Payens, at Jersey City, March 12, 1858, Sept. 16, 1859.
St. Bernard, at Hightstown, March 27, 1859, Sept. 16, 1859.
Helena, at Burlington, chartered Sept. 16, 1859.
Grand Commandery Feb. 14, 1860.

OREGON.

Oregon, Oregon City, July 24, 1860.

GRAND MASTER'S CONTINGENT ACCOUNT.

*The Grand Encampment of the United States in account with B. B. French,
Grand Master.*

	DR.	
Sept. 30.	To postage stamps and stationery	\$10 00
1863.		
Jan. 3.	" paid Express charge on pamphlets, &c.....	1 00
Mar. 18.	" paid Frank Taylor, for copying-book and letter-file	3 00
May 25.	" paid for stamped envelopes and stamps to send off Malta work	4 00
	" paid Express charge on package from New York (my letter-books, &c.).....	75
	" extra trouble and expense in printing Malta work, &c.....	10 00
Sept. 14.	" expenses, &c., in going to Philadelphia to consult and direct as to a settlement of a Commandery difficulty	25 00
1864.		
Jan. 12.	" paid Macoy & Sickles, for Malta Ritrals to distrib- ute	5 00
June 10.	" paid H. Polkinhorn & Son's bill, for headed paper, and printing committee doings	34 00
27.	" expenses of visiting Philadelphia officially with three Commanderies	10 00
Aug. 3.	" 100 postage stamps and envelopes	5 00
1865.		
April 30.	" actual expenses in visiting Baltimore, and exem- plifying the orders before Balt. Com., &c	10 00
Nov. —.	" extra expenses while in Massachusetts last month, in attending to official duties.....	20 00
Aug. 2.	" paid for 100 postage stamps	3 00
31.	" stationery for the past 3 years (estimated).....	10 00
		\$150 76
	Balance in my hands	18 65
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1862.	CR.	
Spt. 2.	By balance of contingent fund from last term of office	§169 41
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Form for a Return of a Subordinate Commandery to the Grand Encampment.

RETURN OF Commandery No., held in the of in the State of from the of in the year 186, to the 1st of August, 186.

OFFICERS.

E	Sir	Em. Commander.
Sir	.....	Generalissimo.
Sir	.....	Captain General.
Sir	.....	Prelate.
Sir	.....	Recorder.
Sir	.....	Treasurer.
Sir	.....	Senior Warden.
Sir	.....	Junior Warden.
Sir	.....	Standard Bearer.
Sir	.....	Sword Bearer.
Sir	.....	Warden.
Sir	.....	Sentinel.

MEMBERS.

Sir	Sir
Sir	Sir

KNIGHTS WHO HAVE RECEIVED THE ORDERS IN THIS COMMANDERY.

NAME.	TIME OF KNIGHTING.	NAME.	TIME OF KNIGHTING.
Sir		Sir	
Sir		Sir	

EXPELLED.

NAME.	TIME WHEN.	CAUSE.
Sir		
Sir		

I certify that the foregoing is a true and perfect return of the said Commandery for the period of time above specified.

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand, and affix the seal of the said Commandery, this day of} \\ \text{August, Anno Domini, 189-} \end{array} \right\}$
 L. S. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{....., Commander of Commandery, No., do certify that Sir} \\ \text{....., Recorder.} \end{array} \right\}$

I, Commander of Commandery, No., do certify that Sir whose name is signed to the foregoing return, is the Recorder of the said Commandery, and the keeper of the seal thereof; and that the signature is genuine.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand, this day of 186..

Dr.	COMMANDERY, NO. ., IN ACCOUNT WITH THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT.	Cr.
186..	186..	

Aug. 1.—To amount of dues for Orders conferred on ten Knights, as per foregoing return..... \$2 00

NOTE.—These returns are to be made annually to the Grand Recorder. The 1st of August is selected as the time to make the returns, for the reason that it affords the Recorder time to prepare his account for the Triennial Meeting in September.

PRAYER BY GRAND PRELATE.

God speed Knighthood throughout the world, in keeping alive the ancient spirit of chivalry, and in making her initiates Knights indeed; waking from mere ceremonies and forms to the fullness of its true life, inspired with its noble impulses and high resolves for the accomplishment of the tasks, and the encounter of the trials of earth. Give us grace to gird ourselves anew for the conflict of Truth against Error, for the maintenance of liberty against oppression, right against wrong, and for faithfulness to our vows. May we go forward to our conflicts, having no breastplate but that of righteousness, no shield but that of faith, no helmet but that of salvation, and no sword save the sword of the Spirit, going out to encounter the giant shapes of superstition and vice, for the rescue of oppressed and degraded man. May our charity, in its circumnavigation, plunge into the depths of dungeons, dive into the infection of hospitals, bearing messages of love and redemption to the debased and lost, penetrating the squalid recesses where hopeless poverty hides itself, and presenting the key that unlocks treasures which no rust can corrupt, and no thief steal, thus making incarnate and shining with its primitive effulgence and beauty the genuine spirit of chivalry. May we all nobly defend our Holy Religion against infidelity—however specious. May we stand upon the great truth of the great doctrine of the Cross, as some mountain pine upon the rock, around whose crag its roots have wrapped themselves, and into whose fissures they have gone down for fastening; and the whirlwind and the storm may no more drag it from its foundation than the firm soil from its bed. God grant we may ever abide by the confession of a true faith, and never forsake, nor be ashamed of the Cross of Christ.

We beseech Thee, O Lord, to send down upon the Grand Encampment of the United States, now and here assembled, thy heavenly benediction, preserving it from all error, ignorance, pride and prejudice. With Thy heavenly favor regard the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, and all other officers thereof, and all Sir Knights wherever dispersed over the globe. Remember all who are sick and all who suffer in body or in mind. Create in our minds a more lively sense of our obligation to love and serve Thee, and mercifully grant that we may be enabled to follow in all virtuous and godly living those who, having made a good confession, have left the light of their example to shine before us on earth.

Almighty God, bless our native land, and all its inhabitants, from him who yields the supreme authority of the nation down to the poorest and humblest citizen. May those in authority be diligent, just and merciful; may those who are governed render due obedience to the laws and a fitting respect for the administrators of them, and may peace and order, concord and good will, plenty and prosperity be granted us as a nation that we more and more may have occasion and disposition to return thanks unto Thee, our all-merciful Father in Heaven.

O, Heavenly Father! who hast commanded us to love one another as thy children, and hast ordained the highest friendship in the bond of Thy Spirit, we beseech Thee to maintain and preserve us therein, with all those to whom we are bound by our especial ties. Send down upon us the dew of Thy heavenly grace, and pour Thy spirit into our hearts, that walking in thy way all the days of our lives, we may have joy in each other that passeth not away; and having lived together in love here, may hereafter live forever together in that blessed kingdom, to which thy glorified Son will welcome all his faithful disciples.

[Here all joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.]

And to our great Immanuel, the King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, be ascribed praises, dominion and power, now and forever. Amen.

REPORT OF GRAND RECORDER.

The detailed statements made in the Triennial Communication of M. Em. Grand Master French will obviate more special allusion to the business of this office relative to Commanderies U. D. applying for charters.

I respectfully note attention to duties as follows:

REGISTER OF COMMANDERIES.

I have complied with the requisition in No. 5, Sec. 5, Art. 1 of the Constitution of the Grand Encampment, to keep a "Book of Templar Masonry." In the series of books I have, to the extent of the means I could reach, opened a

A. REGISTER OF COMMANDERIES,

giving the date of issuing of every warrant for a Grand or Subordinate Commandery, granted by authority of the Grand Encampment since its origin.

In this series, as directed, I include the roll of officers of the Grand Conclave of the Royal Exalted, Religious and Military Order of Masonic Knights Templar in England and Wales.

On the 13th May, 1864, Sir Knight William Stuart, was re-elected for three years Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master.

Sir Knight Col. George A. Vernon, is Very High and Em. Dep. G. Master.

There are twenty-eight Very Eminent Provincial Grand Commanders, having authority within England and Wales and the colonial dependencies of the British Crown.

Sir Knight, the Right Hon. Lord Londesborough, of the Ancient York Conclave of Redington, held from time immemorial in the city of York, and now holden in the borough of Kingston-upon-Hull, is Grand Seneschal; Sir Knight W. R. Harvey, Grand Prior; Sir Knight Rev. Edward Moore, Grand Prelate; Sir Knight John Halsey Law, Grand Chancellor.

The Grand Encampment and the Templar headquarters having been removed from Great Queen street, the Chancellerie is at Masonic Union, No. 14, Bedford Row, Holborn, London, and communications for the Grand Conclave are to be forwarded to Sir Knight M. H. Shuttleworth, Grand Vice Chancellor.

Grand Registrar is Sir Knight D. H. Stone. There is a large number of other officers' names on the roll.

This Supreme body of Knights Templars has appointed as its representative to the M. E. General Grand Encampment of the United States, that Worthy Frater, Sir Knight James Alexander Henderson of Kingston, Canada West.

The Register contains the title of ninety-six Encampments, date of warrant, where stationed, time of holding, and Eminent Commander of each, on the roll of the Grand Conclave of England and Wales.

PROVINCIAL GRAND CONCLAVE OF CANADA.

The Register contains the list of officers recently chosen of the Provincial Grand Conclave of Canada—Sir Knight Col. W. J. Bury McLeod Moore, Very Em. Provincial Grand Commander.

The courteous communication of Sir Knight T. Douglas Harrington is on file.

B. A REGISTER OF MEMBERSHIP.

The series of MSS. books I have prepared contain the roll of officers of the Grand Encampment, with their terms of service, &c., since the origin of the same.

I am seeking to collect and preserve in this department suitable biographical memoranda of those who signalized the occasion of holding these eminent stations by eminent service to Masonry at large, and to the Templar cause.

The requirement to keep up "the roll of officers and members of each Grand and Subordinate Commandery, now working under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment, with all the current changes resulting from removals, dismissions, suspensions, expulsions and deaths," is a task of magnitude, and will be pursued to attainable completion in its full particulars, if the Grand Encampment directs by suitable provisions. In the meantime, I have made considerable progress by continuous research, and by correspondence, to form a reliable roll of officers of Grand Commanderies, from the date of the organization of each.

Printed proceedings of early date cannot be had, and I have had a blank printed, and design pursuing this investigation already commenced, by having Grand Recorders in each State fill up and report to this office these statistics.

The roll of officers is quite extensive, without undertaking the names of members, supposing them to be required, as the provision is, "the roll of officers and members of each Grand Commandery."

The series contains a record of Commanderies working immediately under the jurisdiction of this Grand Encampment, with list of officers of each.

The plan deemed proper to preserve statistics of the members of these immediate subordinates, is, to have an alphabetical register of their names, with the statistics, as furnished by annual returns, appended to each name, leaving room for additions and corrections.

An alphabetic register is opened of names of Grand officers of Grand Enc. U. S., from its origin, with breif masonic memoranda.

C. HISTORICAL DATA.

A further requirement of the Grand Recorder, is, to secure data to illustrate the history of Templar Masonry in the U. S.

I am aided in this by the spirited activities of masonic writers in several States, viz : Sir Wm. Sewall Gardner, Mass.; Sir Moses Dodge, Me.; Sir Alfred Creigh, Pa.

The collecting and binding in orderly volumes the proceedings of the Grand Encampment and of the State Grand Commanderies is progressing, and will furnish a treasury of information for reference.

It is desirable, however, that from time to time a historical paper should appear in our triennial publications, and in a smaller tract, for wider distribution.

Imperfect as these may now be, I propose publication of the record thus far, that corrections and additions may be made to render it full and complete.

CASH ACCOUNT.

My receipts and expenses have been as follows:

Gr. Enc. U. S. to John D. Caldwell, Gr. Rec.

	DR.	
1862—Nov. 22. Expenses at Columbus—printing proceedings...	\$2 00	
Fr. of printed proceedings	6 30	
Circulars	7 50	
Postage	6 91	
Blanks for names of officers.....	3 50	
Letter-file.....	2 00	
Books for historical record.....	5 00	
1863—June. Paid in my behalf by G. M. French—printing charters	21 00	
Express of same.....	75	
1865. Caleb Clark—circulars.....	11 00	
Paper, ink, &c.	2 00	
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Amount received from Columbia Commandery—dues, \$126, \$84	\$210 00
" " " Zion, Minn.—\$90, \$64, \$40.....	194 00
" " " Cœur de Lion, Winona—\$90, \$78.....	168 00
" " " Leavenworth, Kansas—\$90, \$72.....	162 00
" " " Mankato, Minn.—\$90, \$22	112 00
" " " Washington, Kansas—\$90, \$10	100 00
" " " Mt. Calvary, Omaha—\$90, \$46	136 00
" " " Wash. Comdy.—\$16, \$76	86 00
" " " Md. Comdy. No. 1, Baltimore.....	54 00
" " " Wash. Comdy. No. 1, of Washington, D.C.	66 00
" " " Damascus, Keokuk, Iowa	90 00

	\$1,378 00
Sales of republication	85 00

Indiv. Friends, New Orleans	32 00

Total	\$1,495 00
Gr. Treasurer, J. W. Simons, as per rect.	\$1,496 75

I certify these charges are just and true.

JOHN D. CALDWELL.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND RECORDER OF THE
GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF K. T. FOR U. S. A.,
CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 14th, A. D. 1862, A. O. 744.

The following is *the uniform for a Knight Templar*, which at the triennial meeting of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar for the U. S. A., held in the City of New York, on Sept. 3d, 1862, was adopted, and earnestly recommended to be adopted by all Knights Templar throughout this jurisdiction.

Witness my official signature, and the seal of the Grand Encampment.

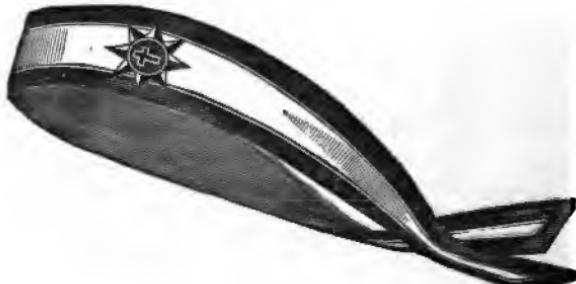
John. Caldwell

Grand Recorder.



FULL DRESS.—Black frock coat, black pantaloons, scarf, sword, belt, shoulder straps, gauntlets and chapeau, with appropriate trimmings.

FATIGUE DRESS.—Same as full dress, except for chapeau a black cloth cap, navy form, with appropriate cross in front, and for gauntlets white gloves.

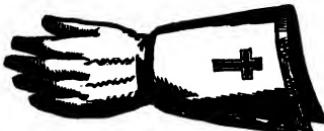


SCARF.—Five inches wide in the whole, of white, bordered with black one inch on either side, a strip of navy lace one-fourth of an inch wide,

at the inner edge of the black. On the front centre of the scarf, a metal star of nine points, in allusion to the nine founders of the Temple Order, inclosing the Passion Cross, surrounded by the Latin motto, "*In hoc Signo Vinces*;" the star to be three and three-quarter inches in diameter. The scarf to be worn from the right shoulder to the left hip, with the ends extending six inches below the point of intersection.



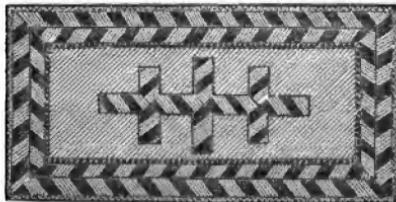
CHAPEAU.—The military chapeau, trimmed with black binding, one white and two black plumes, and appropriate cross on the left side.



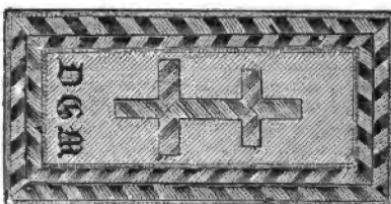
GAUNTLETS.—Of buff leather, the flap to extend four inches upward from the wrist, and to have the appropriate cross embroidered in gold, on the proper colored velvet, two inches in length.

SWORD.—Thirty-four to forty inches, inclusive of scabbard, helmet head, cross handle, and metal scabbard.

BELT.—Red enameled or patent leather, two inches wide, fastened round the body with buckle or clasp.



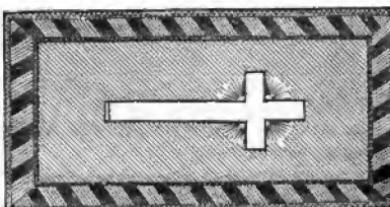
SHOULDER STRAPS.—*For Grand Master and Past Grand Masters of the Grand Encampment.*—Royal purple silk velvet, two inches wide by four inches long, (outside measurement) bordered with two rows of embroidery, of gold, three-eighths of an inch wide; Cross of Salem embroidered, of gold, in the centre, lengthwise.



For all other Grand Officers of the Grand Encampment.—The same as the Grand Master, except for the Cross of Salem, the Patriarchal Cross, of gold, with the initials of the office respectively, embroidered, of silver, (Old English Characters,) at the foot of the cross, narrow-wise of the strap.



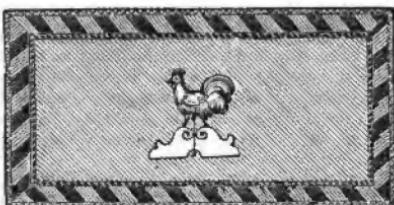
For the Officers and Past Grand Officers of the Grand Commandery.—Bright red silk velvet, two inches wide by four inches long, bordered with one row of embroidery, of gold, quarter of an inch wide; Templar's Cross, of gold, with the initials of the office respectively, to be embroidered, (Old English Characters,) in silver, on the lower end of the strap.



For the Commanders and Past Commanders of a Subordinate Commandery.—Emerald green silk velvet, one and a half inches wide by four inches long, bordered with one row of embroidery, of gold, quarter of an inch wide; the Passion Cross, with a halo, embroidered, of silver, in the centre.



For the Generalissimo.—Same as the Commander, except for the Passion Cross, the Square, surmounted with the Paschal Lamb.



For the Captain General.—Same as the Commander, except for the Passion Cross, the Level, surmounted with the Cock.



CAP.—Navy form; black cloth, four to five inches high, narrow leather strap fastened at the sides with small metal Templar's Cross, and with appropriate cross in front.

DISTINCTIONS.—The Sir Knights will wear the white metal, wherever metal appears. Commanders and Past Commanders, Grand and Past Grand Officers, gold.

CROSSES.—Sir Knights, Commanders and Past Commanders of Subordinate Commanderies will wear the Passion Cross; Grand and Past Grand Officers of State Commanderies, the Templar Cross; Grand and Past Grand Officers of the Grand Encampment, the Patriarchal Cross; the Grand Master, and Past Grand Masters of the Grand Encampment, the Cross of Salem, which is the Patriarchal Cross, with an additional bar in the centre.

The various crosses, as designated, to be worn on the outside of the chapeau, and on the scabbard of the sword. These on chapeau to be three inches in height; on the sword, one inch.

HANGINGS FOR JEWELS.—The hangings for Grand and Subordinate Commanderies may remain as at present.

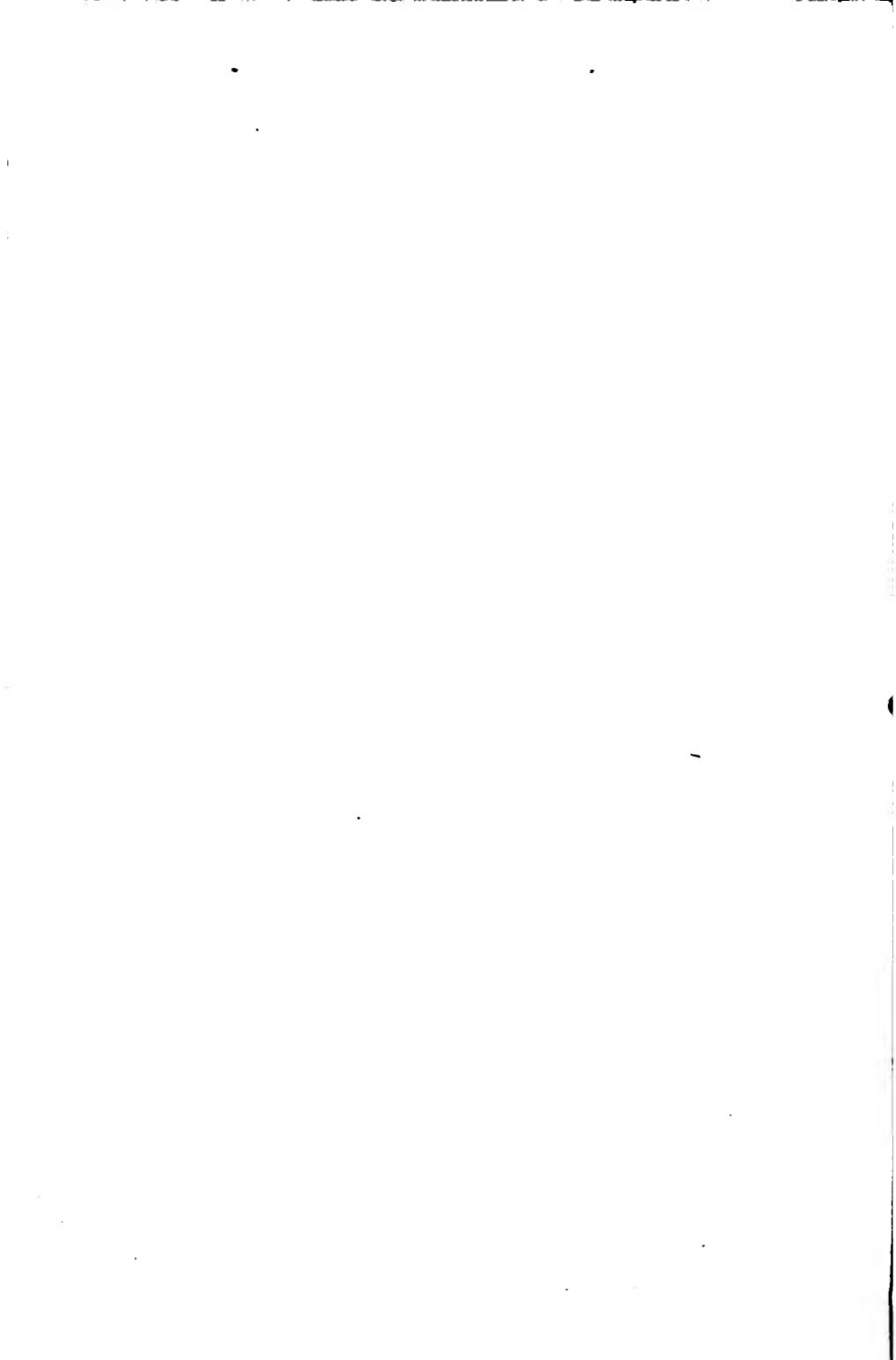
GRAND STANDARD.—Is of white woollen or silk stuff, six feet in height and five feet in width, made tripartite at the bottom, fastened at the top to the cross-bar by nine rings; in the centre of the field, a blood-red Passion Cross, over which is the motto, "*In hoc Signo Vinces*," and under, "*Non nobis Domine! non nobis sed Nomini tuo da Gloriam!*" The cross to be four feet high, and the upright and bar to be seven inches wide. On the top of the staff, a gilded globe or ball, four inches in diameter, surmounted by the Patriarchal Cross, twelve inches in height. The cross to be crimson, edged with gold.

BEAUSÉANT.—Of woolen or silk stuff, same form and dimensions as the Grand Standard, and suspended in the same manner. The upper half of this banner is black, the lower half white.

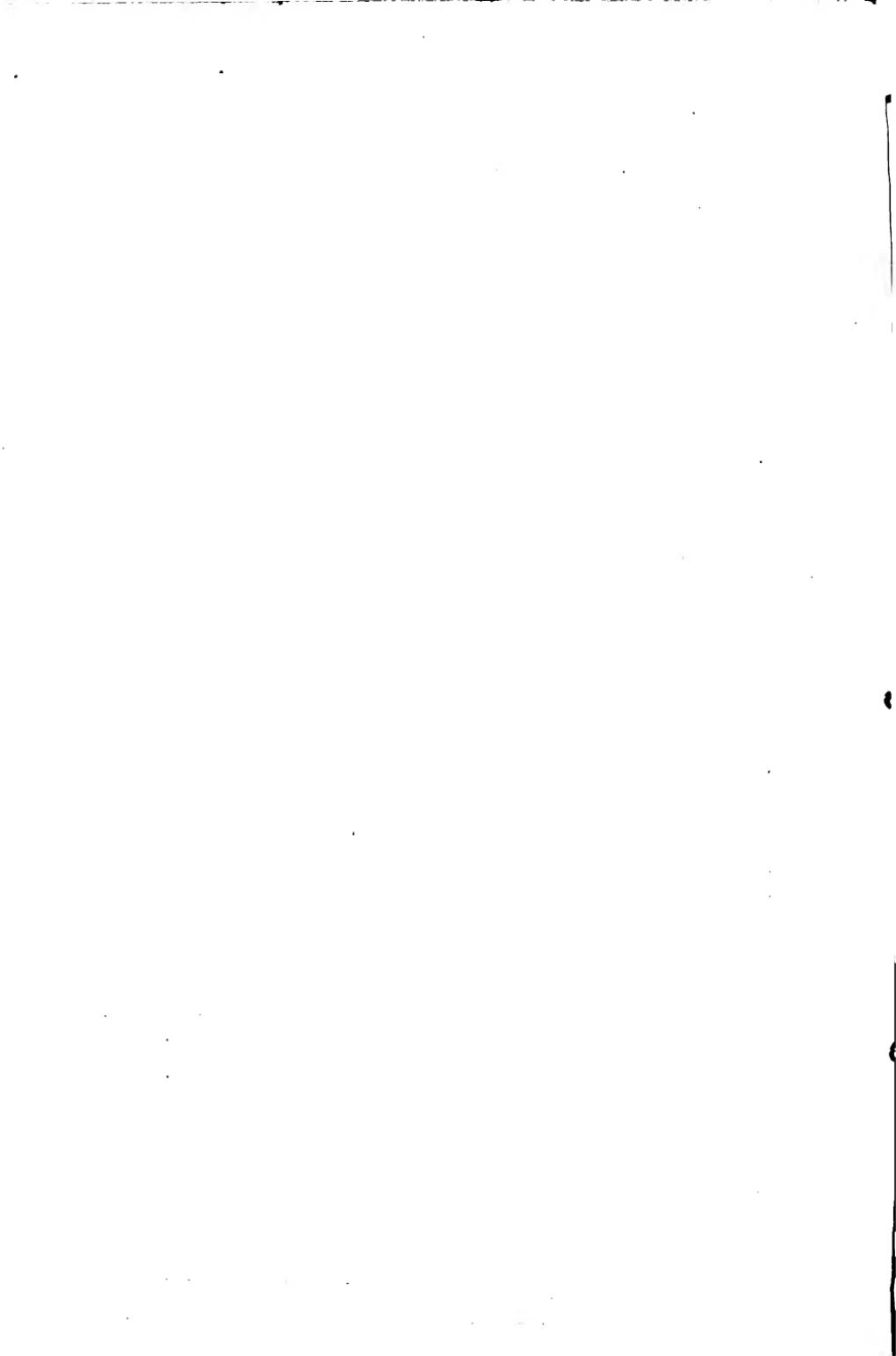
PRELATE'S ROBES.—A full white linen or muslin robe, open behind, reaching down within six inches of the feet, fastened around the neck below the cravat, which should be white, and having flowing sleeves reaching to the middle of the hand. A white woollen cloak, lined with

white, fastened around the neck, and extending down to the bottom of the robe; on the left front, a red velvet Templar Cross, six inches in width. A blue silk stole, reaching down in front to within six inches of the bottom of the robe, and having on it three Templar Crosses of red silk. Mitre of white merino, bordered with gold, lined with green, having the red Templar Cross extending to the edges, and surmounted by a Passion Cross three inches high. The special badge of his office is a Crozier.

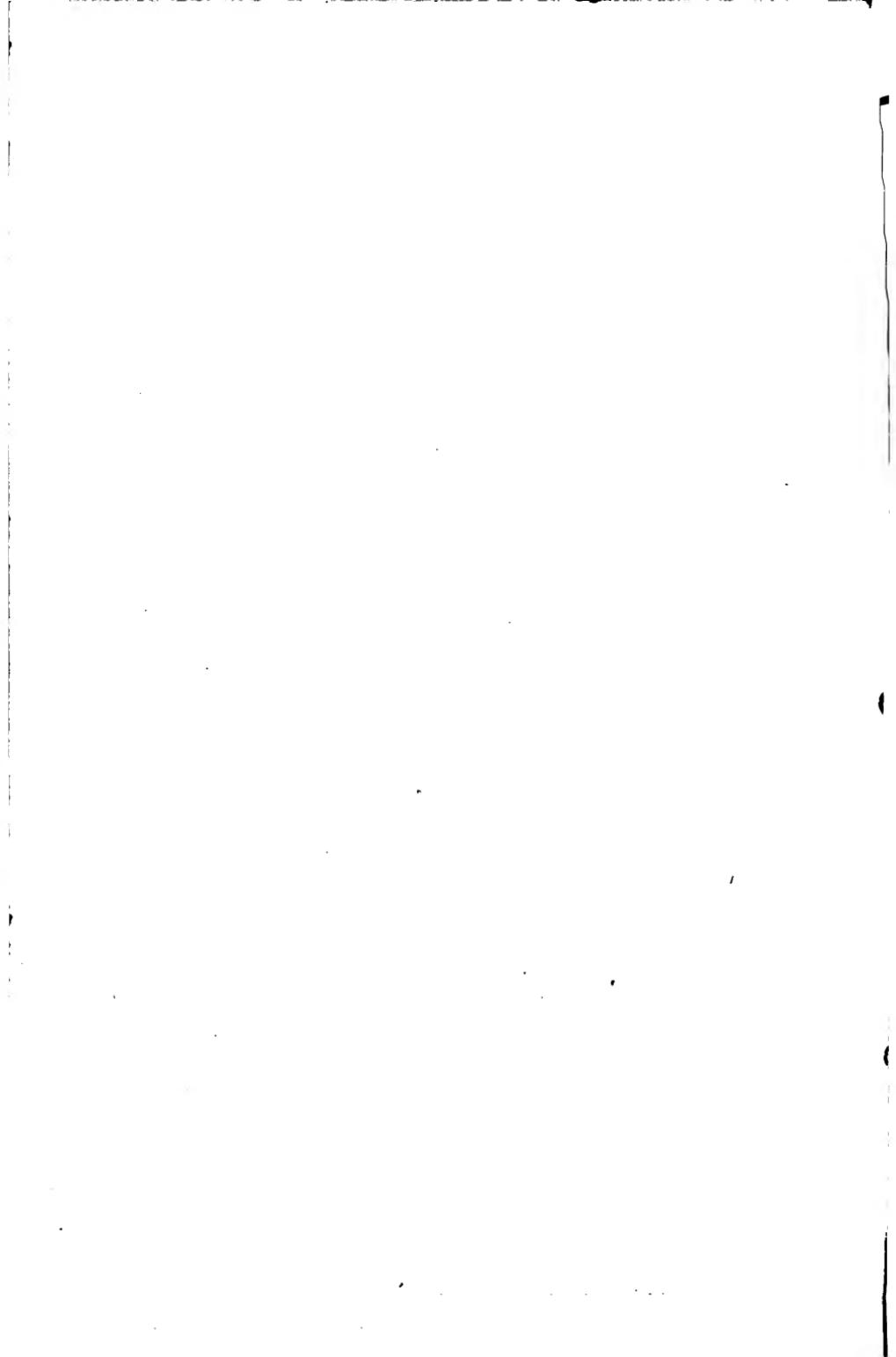
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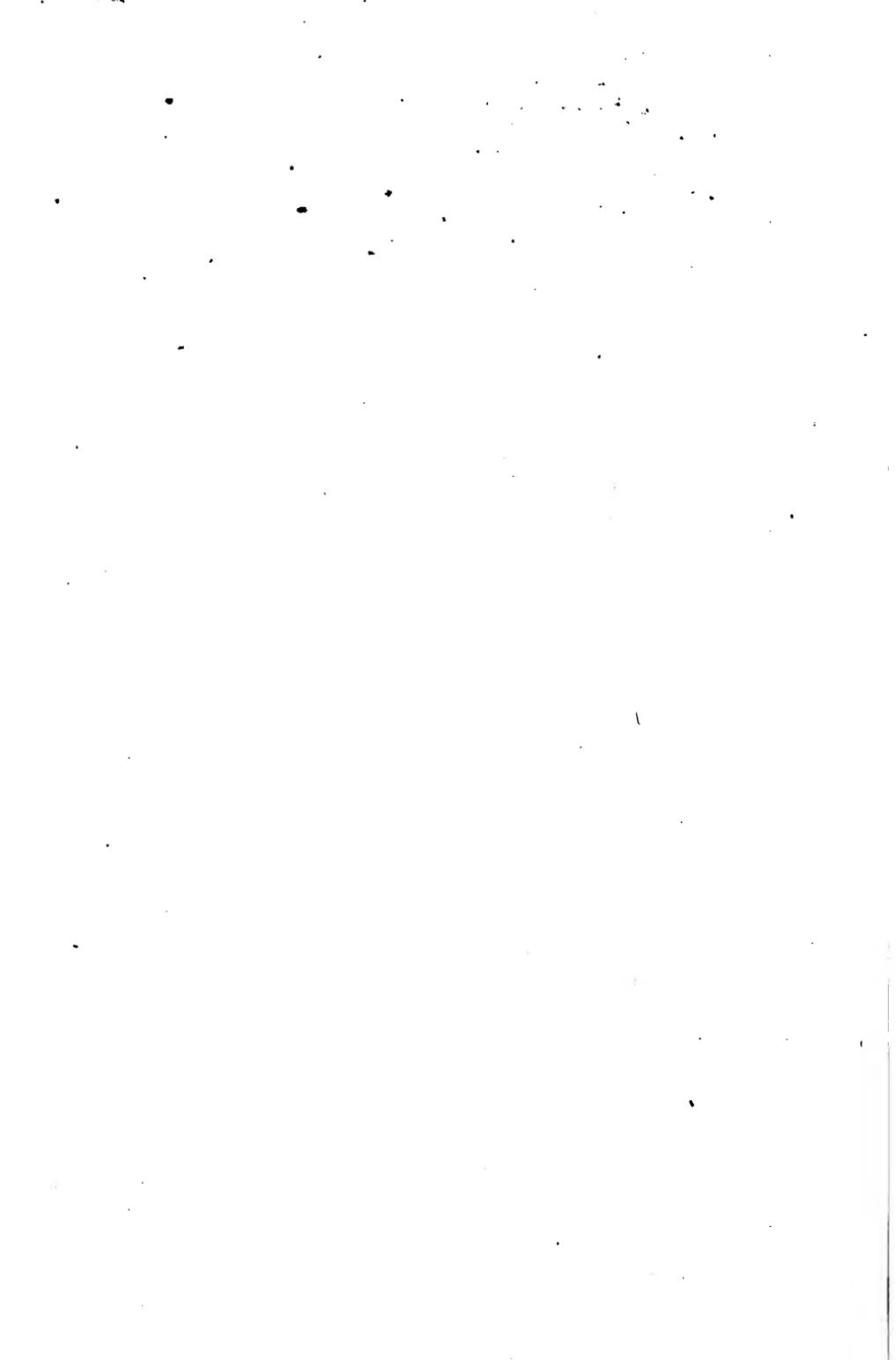
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JOHN HENRY HOLLAND.



HENRY C. LAWRENCE.



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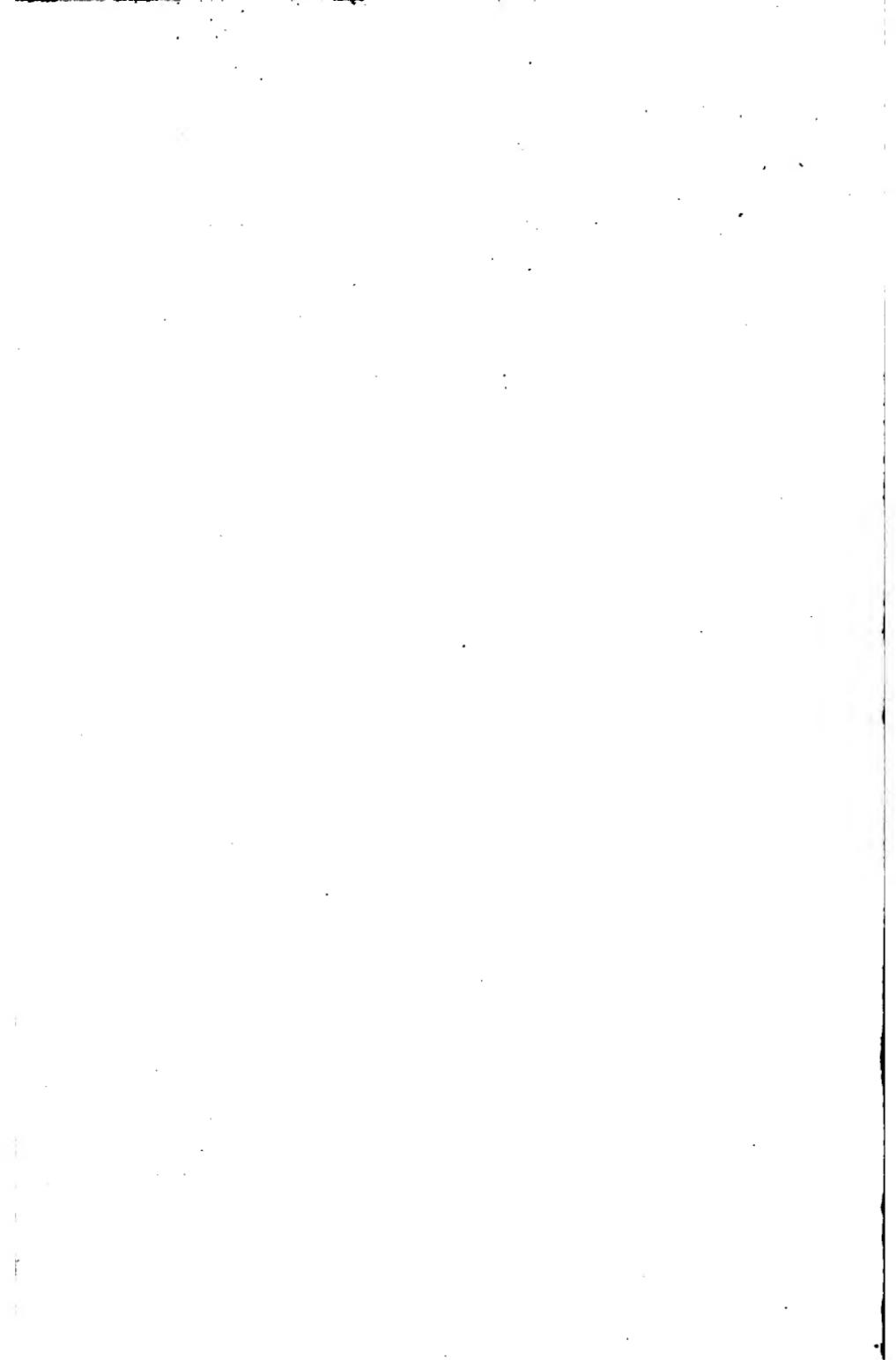
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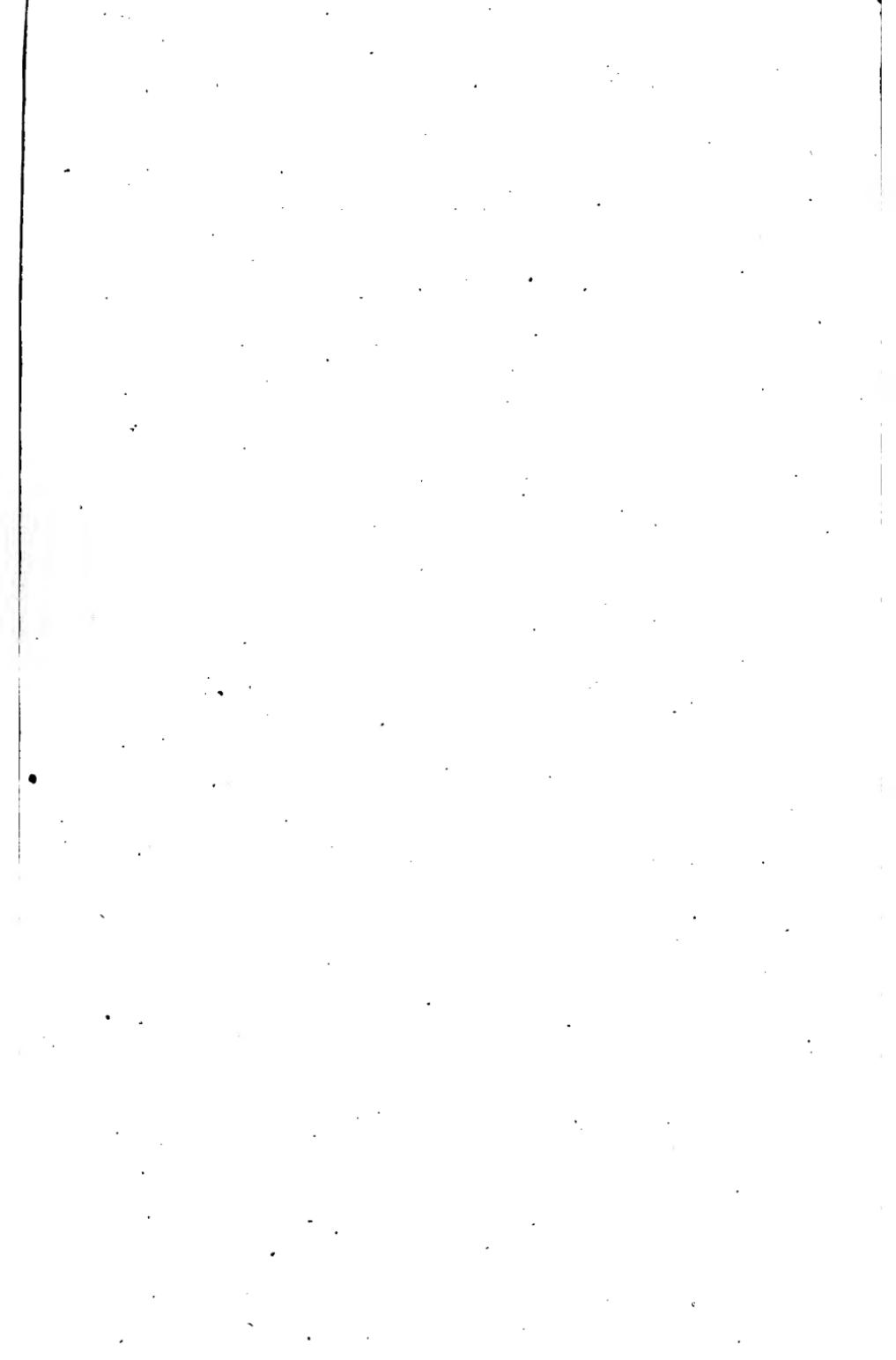
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"Dedicated" should be "consecrated," line 10, page 17.

"Is" should be "are," line 4, p. 19.

Correct paragraph commencing line 10, p. 28, so as to read—"On the 4th inst. (yesterday) Sir Knight George W. Belt (of Weston Commandery) Grand Commander."





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